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Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The apparent avidity with which both Houses of Congress have entered into the matter of civil service reform, must not be accepted as positively indicative of results at the hands of Congress. There are certain Senators and Representatives who are enthusiastically and practically in favor of this reform, but they are not numerous enough to pass the law that they will frame. There are much larger number who prefer to take the chances of approving what the President does than of voting for some specific scheme of their own. If there is to be any disagreeable responsibility about the consequences, it will be much easier for them to have the President bear it than to bear it themselves. In the meantime, the President is going ahead with the scheme of the Civil Service Commission, and it will be applied and put into practical operation before any measure can possibly get through Congress. He has the fullest power in regard to the matter. If he should see any good suggestions in the bills or debates in Congress he can apply them at once, and if Congress should choose to enact his whole scheme into a law so much the better for him and them, but within the next sixty days a great many people who do not now know what civil service reform means will become educated in that respect. In the meantime the number of converts to not only the theory, but to the practicability of civil service reform is wonderful, and is daily increasing.

MR. FISH.

The letter requesting Secretary FISH to withdraw his resignation was first signed by Vice-President COLFAX, and then by Messrs. ANTHONY and CAMERON, and forty-two others. One prominent Senator who declined to sign the letter, called personally to express his earnest desire that he should not reture.

THE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE.

The House Ways and Means Committee met today and heard some arguments from the tobacco men who have been here in convention, and who are in favor of fixing the uniform tax on tobacco at sixteen cents. The Committee will begin their work very soon, first on the internal taxes, and will sit during the recess.

THE INTERNAL REVENUE BUREAU.

Mr. SUMNER will on Monday, in accordance with his notice yesterday, introduce a bill to abolish the office of Commissioner of Internal Revenue and for the reduction of taxation. The bill will provide for one tax only on spirituous liquors, and that a stamp tax of seventy-five cents per gallon. This rate is nearly the equivalent of both the license and stamp taxes at present levied, being a little higher. The bill will provide new regulations for the sale of stamps, and for an entirely new class of officers for their sale, and make them wholly responsible for the collection of the tax. The system of internal taxation now in existence is to terminate June 30, 1872, and the office of Commissioner to cease Aug. 31 following, which is just ten years from the time the Bureau went into operation, with Mr. BOUTWELL as Commissioner. The bill further provides that the unfinished business of the office at that time shall be transferred to the office of the Secretary of the Treasury to be closed up. It is said the Finance Committee have had a plan very similar to this under consideration, and that it meets the approval of very many Senators, but it is more generally believed the office of Commissioner will be retained till the affairs of the Bureau are substantially closed, instead of such a transfer as above noted being authorized.

CONGRESSIONAL RELAXATION.

Neither House of Congress being in session today, the members devoted themselves to business in the Departments, and at the Executive Mansion, where they were as thick and as busy as bees. Many of those residing in contiguous States have gone home until Monday. The prospect now is that the holiday recess will begin on the 21st inst., and may possibly continue until the 8th of January.

THE OHIO SENATORSHIP.

One reason that Ohio politicians were counting Gen. GARFIELD out of the Senatorial canvass in Ohio was because of the prevailing belief there that he would be Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee. Now that the Committees have been announced and this expectation has not been met, some of the elements opposing Mr. SHERMAN's re-election are looking to Gen. GARFIELD. A pretty lively canvass is going on, and if the General can be induced to enter the field, Mr. SHERMAN would not appear to have so great control of the situation as his friends have hitherto claimed for him. A very few Republican votes persistently cast against him would make the selection of another candidate absolutely necessary. But these few votes cannot now be counted upon with any certainty either way.

DISHONEST CLERKS.

The defaulting clerks in Treasurer SPINNER's office will be speedily tried, and without doubt convicted and sentenced. The publication of the affair has caused the utmost excitement throughout the Treasury Department. Gen. SPINNER supposed that he was personally liable for the loss, which would have taken the whole of his property, but he seemed to be more grieved that the loss should have occurred at all than at its amount, or its effect upon himself. Today, however, the law has been further examined, and it is the opinion of several good lawyers that it was never contemplated that the Treasurer should be held personally responsible in cases of this character, and if it was so, then certainly a relief bill would be passed by Congress. It is regarded everywhere as most remarkable that in transactions extending over so many years, involving thousands of millions of dollars, with the Treasurer at the mercy, as it were, of the honesty of hundreds of subordinates, the total losses by fraud or embezzlement have not reached $100,000. Such an example will be made in the present cases as will be likely to give a wholesome warning to any others who may have been tempted to wrong-doing in that office.

THE TEXAS CONGRESSMEN.

The House Committee on Elections will meet again on Monday, and will decide upon the claims of the several Texas claimants to seats. One of those who have exceptional certificates from the Governor is W. T. CLARK, a Republican, and the other, Mr. HERNDON, is a Democrat. As they both have certificates, though of an unusual form, the Committee is likely to decide to recommend that both be admitted on them, as *prima facie* evidence of their title to the seats. But the rights of contest will be reserved against CLARK to D. C. GIDDINGS, and against Mr. HERNDON to Ex-Representative WHITMORE.

APPOINTMENTS.

The President, today, appointed the following Postmasters: Francis A. Shumway, at West Killingly, Conn., vice Sylvanus Gleason, removed; Orlando T. Letcher, at Bryan, Ohio, vice C. W. Ely, resigned; J. W. McCullough, at Washington, La., vice A. Millspaugh, removed.

POSTAL CONVENTION WITH DENMARK.

A Postal Convention, establishing and regulating an exchange of correspondence between the United States and Denmark, has been concluded, and will be carried into operation on the 1st of January next. It provides for the direct exchange of closed mails, by steamer, between the two countries, and also by the Hamburg and Bremen line, embracing letters, newspapers, books, patterns and samples of merchandise. The rate of prepaid letter postage is fixed at seven cents per half ounce, but unpaid, or insufficiently paid letters, will be forwarded charged with the unpaid or deficient postage, in addition to which a fine of four cents will be collected on delivery.

FRANCE.

Proceedings of the Assembly—An Adverse Vote on the Bill to Change the Seat of Government—Communist Pardons.

PARIS, Dec. 8.—In the Assembly, today, a motion was made by M. DUCHATEL for the removal of the Assembly and seat of Government to Paris. The motion gave rise to an animated debate, which promises to be a protracted one, although there is little doubt that the proposal has the majority of the Chamber in its favor. A vote of urgency on the bill was refused by a small majority. The Chamber was subsequently the scene of angry recrimmations between the members of the Right and Left. The entire session was very turbulent. A vote of urgency was demanded upon the question of the future form of government for France, and was refused. M. PONYER-QUERTIER, the Minister of Finance, announced that he will present the budget for 1872 to-morrow. A bill was presented annulling the decree confiscating the property of the Orleans Princes. M. ROVIER asked leave to present a resolution censuring the Committee of Pardons for its want of clemency toward the convicted Communists, but the majority of the Assembly protested violently against the reception of the document, and it was returned to the mover.

No Pardon for Communist Murderers—The Army Contingent.

PARIS, Dec. 8.—The appeals of the Communists convicted of the murder of Gens. LECOMPTE and THOMAS, and sentenced to suffer death, have been rejected by the Commission of Pardons. There is no hope that President THIERS will interpose to remove this final decision. President THIERS' message recommends that the annual army contingent be fixed at 90,000 instead of 30,000, as incorrectly reported last night.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Betting Mania—Odds Against the Tichborne "Claimant"—Strike—An Irish "Faction."

LONDON, Dec. 8.—The betting upon the result of the Tichborne case is quite general. The latest quotations from the clubs indicate the prevalent odds as ten to one against the claimant of the property. A strike of the telegraph operators in London, Manchester, Liverpool and other large cities is imminent.

DUBLIN, Dec. 8.—The anniversary of the Apprentice Boys at Londonderry was celebrated yesterday, and passed off with unusual quiet. An effigy of LUNDY was burnt amid the usual derisive demonstrations, but there was no serious disturbance.

MEXICO.

Capture of Saltillo by the Insurgents—Foreign Merchants Imprisoned by Cortinas.

MATAMORAS, Dec. 8.—It is reported that Saltillo has surrendered, and the revolutionists are marching on San Luis Potosi from Saltillo, and are also advancing from Monterey on Mier and Camargo. CORTINAS is said to have imprisoned several foreign merchants in Mier for sympathizing with the revolutionists. Business has been suspended here, and there are fears of a *pronunciamiento*.

NOVA SCOTIA.

The Cholera at Chezzicook—Twenty-Five Lives Lost in Wrecks on the Coast.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 8.—Although the cholera has entirely disappeared from the French settlement at Chezzicook, the houses that were infected are kept in quarantine yet to guard against another outbreak. Twenty-five lives were lost on the Nova Scotia coast in the gales of last week—eleven by the wreck of a packet schooner in the Avon River, nine by the Bermudian brigantine *Jabez*, at the Strait of Canso, and five by the schooner *Catherine*, in Yarmouth Sound. Those lost in the *Jabez* were Capt. ABRAHAM SIMMONS, of Bermuda; THOMAS H. MURRAY, of Prince Edward's Island, and FRANCIS ROBERTS, of Bermuda, passengers, and six of the crew. The only one saved was a seaman named MANUEL, who was taken off the wreck after great suffering.

CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA.

Proposed Central American Confederation—Small-Pox at Valparaiso—Aid for Chicago from Lima—An American Enterprise.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Dec. 7.—The steamship *Henry Chauncey* has arrived from Aspinwall, and sailed for New-York. Aspinwall dates are to the 3d inst. A conference of representatives of Guatemala, San Salvador and Honduras is to be held in December, to discuss a project for the formation of a Central American Confederation. Work upon the Costa Rica Railroad was progressing.

Advices from Valparaiso, Calli, are to the 11th of November. The Government had disbanded the battalion of troops organized for the survey of the Caracolas mines, one of which was said to be worth $9,000,000. The construction of a railroad to the mines had been commenced. The telegraph line between Valparaiso and San Felipe has been completed. The French bark *Notre Dame*, from London, for Montevideo, has been burned at sea. The hospitals were insufficient to accommodate the small-pox patients.

Lima, Peru, dates are to the 22d of November. All was quiet throughout the Republic. Members of Congress had been elected and the session will commence in July next. Ten thousand dollars had been collected for the sufferers by the Chicago fire. Hon. THOMAS SETTLE, the American Minister, was sick and had started for New-York. HENRY MEIGGS has purchased a large portion of the suburbs of Lima, with intention of building cottages on an improved American plan. He will also establish a journal which will be devoted to the interests of Spanish America.

EXECUTION OF A MURDERER.

Jacob Brock Hanged at Louisa Court-House, Va., for Wife-Murder—Full Confession of the Culprit—Story of the Crime.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 8.—JACOB BROCK, colored, was executed today at Louisa Court-house for the murder of his wife. On the scaffold he made a full confession of guilt, attributing it to infidelity on the part of his wife and to intemperance on his own.

The story of the crime is as follows: BROCK and his wife, of Louisa County, Virginia, one day in last June went together from their house to Fredericksball, a depot on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, to make some purchases at the store there. They went and returned afoot, as the depot was not many miles from the cabin they inhabited. At the depot JACOB bought a bottle of whisky, but he was apparently quite sober. The woman reached home a little while before JACOB, who had lingered, and she was in the act of kindling the fire when JACOB came in, and asked if supper was ready, his tone being that of one ready to pick a quarrel. It happened that his wife had a supply of cold victuals on hand, which she quickly placed before him, and he sat down moodily to eat. He then asked for water, which was handed him by his step-son, an intelligent colored boy, who was the principal witness in the subsequent trial. JACOB complained that the water was warm, and ordered the lad to go to the spring for more. When the lad returned with the water, JACOB had succeeded in tying a rope around one of his wife's wrists, and was endeavoring to tye the other wrist, but in the scuffle that took place she contrived to throw him off. He rushed then upon her, knocked her down, and tied both of her hands together. Forcing her up-stairs, he tied her hands above her head to a cross-piece nailed to the unceiled rafters of the hut. He then deliberately descended, got his bottle of whisky, a pitcher of water, a tumbler, several stout switches, and went back up-stairs. Having prepared and taken a glass of whisky, he began to flog his wife in the most merciless manner. He wore out his supply of rods upon her, (taking occasional glasses of liquor to nerve himself,) and then broke up a flour-barrel and beat her with the staves, heading and hoops, until they were broken to pieces. The fragments of all these things which he used on her up-stairs were exhibited in Court at his trial.

Having exhausted all convenient weapons, he loosened the woman from the cross-piece and drew her by the rope down the stairs, out of the house, into the orchard. He then tied her up to the limb of an apple tree and, breaking off boughs, resumed his process of beating the poor creature to death. Having used up all the boughs within his reach, he untied the doomed woman from the limb, when she feel utterly disabled to the ground. He thereupon seized the rope and dragged her to the yard of his cabin, where he endeavored to prop her up against a peach tree which grew there, but she fell prostrate. Still unrelenting, he stripped the peach tree of its boughs and wore them out upon the dying woman. Finally tired out, he dragged her by the heels into the cabin again. There he laid her insensible body before the fire and dashed a bucket of water over her. Taking a final drink from his bottle, he turned into bed and fell asleep. When he awoke in the morning his wife was lying dead on the hearth.

BROCK was arrested and tried at Louisa Court-house, (the jury being composed of four whites and eight negroes,) was found guilty of murder in the first degree, and he was sentenced to be hanged. No evidence was given establishing a motive on JACOB's part to commit the crime. He was usually a sober negro, and all the testimony (the boy's included) went to show that he was not intoxicated when he began to beat his wife, though it is very probable that he was very drunk before he stopped beating her. He and she had lived together as harmoniously as most couples of their class and color, and their circumstances had been such as to always keep them from want.

Since his conviction and sentence, BROCK made several desperate attempts to escape, on one occasion setting fire to the jail. The execution passed off quietly. E.

STATE LEGISLATURES.

No Election for Senator yet in California—Tennessee Tax Levy.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—The State Senate has confirmed Adj.-General CAZENEAU, the Democrats and Republicans uniting upon him. The joint Convention for the election of United States Senator did not meet today.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 8.—The Senate has agreed to the House proposition to fix the rate of State taxation at forty cents. The present rate is sixty cents, which has barely paid the expenses of the State Government, leaving the interest on the State bonds unprovided for. The privilege tax on merchants has been reduced by the Senate, but yet to be acted upon by the House.

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—The Illinois House of Representatives today passed a bill giving power to the United States Government to condemn land in Chicago for public buildings. There were only four opposing votes.

The Kuklux Trials in South Carolina—Four Pleas of Guilty.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 8.—In the Kuklux trials to-day, four of the prisoners, viz.: PORTER, CHILDERS, MURPHY and MONTGOMERY, pleaded guilty to the charge of conspiring to deprive the citizens of their right to vote. They reserved the right of reading affidavits in mitigation of punishment.

Mr. STANBERY raised the point of order whether a prisoner can be tried for an offense committed in March but charged to have been committed on the 21st April, in order to bring the case under the Kuklux law passed on the 20th of April. Other points will be raised tomorrow for certification to the Supreme Court.

Extensive Rolling-Mill Burned in Birmingham, Penn.—Loss About $120,000.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 8.—The loss of MCKNIGHT & Co. by the burning of their rolling-mill at Birmingham, at 3 o'clock this morning, is as follows: On machinery about $60,000; building, $25,000; stock, $23,000. Insured in home companies for $20,000; Liverpool, $10,000; Delaware Mutual, North British and Mercantile, Phœnix, of Hartford; Commerce, of Albany, and International, each $5,000; total, $70,000. The fire originated from the watchman dropping a lighted wick into a barrel of oil while filling a lamp.

Metairie Races—Fourth Day.

NEW-ORLEANS, Dec. 8.—The weather was pleasant today, and the attendance at the races very good. The track was in fair condition.

FIRST RACE.—Steeple-chase handicap; about two and a half miles; Club Purse, $600. The race was won by *Blind Tom*, beating *Virgil*, *Von Moltke*, *Temple*, *Tom Corbett* and *Chalmette*. The riders of *Von Moltke*, *Temple* and *Tom Corbett* were thrown. *Chalmette* would not take the first obstruction. Time—5:48.

SECOND RACE.—Club Purse, $400; mile heats; for three-year olds.

Billy Williamson	2 1
Madam Dudley	1 dis.

In last heat *Dudley* would not start until *Williamson* almost had reached the quarter-pole. Time—1:52¾, 2:05.

THIRD RACE.—Club Purse, $500; three miles; for all ages. The race was won by *Salina*, beating *Bob Shelton*, *Nannie Douglas*, *Fishball* and *Richard*, in order. Time—5:43¾.

DUKE ALEXIS IN BOSTON

He Expresses a Lively Admiration of the City.

Formal Reception by the City and State Authorities—Visit to Harvard College, ment and the Navy—The Ball.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—"I like Boston very much, indeed!" emphatically pronounces the Prince ALEXIS, and Boston is serenely happy. He, in turn, seems to be thoroughly liked by all of Boston. Circulating among the crowds that have blocked the street today, I have heard none but words of praise and admiration of his manly appearance and his modest, unostentatious bearing. I grieve to say I have also heard his conduct contrasted with that of some of his hosts, to the very marked disadvantage of the latter. Now, concerning the reception and the events of this day.

FORMAL RECEPTIONS OF CITY AND STATE.

Shortly before 10 o'clock this forenoon the Duke appeared at the entrance to his superb quarters at the Revere House, in his natty costume of Lieutenant of the Russian Navy, with which fair New-York has been so charmed, looking sturdy and fresh, ready for the day's bout. He stood for a moment enjoying the scene before him. By the curb of the walk immediately in front stood the elegant carriage which had been prepared for him, known here as the President Lincoln landau, because in it the lamented war President rode on the occasion of his memorable passage through Boston; behind it were other almost as elegant equipages; and beyond these, keeping back a vast crowd of shouting citizens of all grades, were lines of scarlet-coated and white-plumed dragoons. The Duke then acknowledged the salute of the soldiery, and, escorted by the members of the City Government Reception Committee, stepped into his carriage. The Ex-Minister, CATACAZY, followed, and as soon as the others of his suite were seated in the remaining carriages, the procession moved at a lively pace, and to the well-worn air of "Hail Columbia," played somewhat out of tune by a mounted band. The order of the procession was this: Military escort; the barouche of the Prince and Mr. CATACAZY, with Alderman JENKINS; carriage containing Vice-Admiral POSSIET, Consul STORER, and President RICH, of the Common Council; carriage containing Count SHOUVALOFF, Lieut. TUDEER and other members of the suite, and two empty carriages, to be filled later in the day by the Mayor of the city and the Governor of the State. The procession passed quite rapidly through lines of citizens, and, by a circuitous route, first to the City Hall. Here a large force of Police officers was drawn up in double line from the main gate to the front entrance of the building, and it was with much difficulty that the surging crowd could be kept from breaking the line, so eager were they to obtain desirable positions. The grounds in front were completely packed with a mass of people, while School-street, its entire length, presented a similar scene. All the buildings adjacent were appropriated by spectators, and the Parker House made a brilliant appearance, every room of its entire front being occupied by ladies and gentlemen, who thus embraced one of the best possible opportunities to get a good glimpse of His Imperial Highness as he alighted from his carriage. The inside of the City Hall was hardly less animated, as every portion of it from the entrance to the second floor was filled, including the Board of Aldermen's room. A large share of those present were ladies. As the Duke alighted from his carriage he was greeted with deafening cheers, and on his passage through the building he was also cheered. The reception by the Mayor was informal, as no speeches were made. The Duke was hurriedly shown over the building, and then taken in charge by the Mayor and again conducted to his carriage. The ride to the State-house was characterized by similar demonstrations on the part of the people. At the State-house were gathered the great men of the State, and many of the fair women, who appeared by special invitation of the Governor. The rooms of the Governor were elaborately decorated with flowers, and behind the Governor's chair of state a large Russian flag was displayed. The Governor received the Duke with the following speech:

YOUR IMPERIAL HIGHNESS: It is my privilege, in behalf of the people of this Commonwealth, to extend to you a most cordial welcome. It gives us pleasure to meet a representative of a nation which for so long a time has manifested such good-will toward our country, and especially for the words of sympathy which came to us during our last great struggle. We rejoice in the prosperity and freedom which now prevails in both countries. We hope that your visit among us will be agreeable, and that it will be a pleasant recollection on your return to your native land.

The Duke bowed his thanks, and was conducted to the Governor's desk followed by Minister CATACAZY, Admiral POSSIET and others, and where many of the ladies and gentlemen present had the pleasure of being presented. The process of hand-shaking continued as the Duke passed through the Governor's Room on his way to the Library, whither he was escorted, arm-in-arm with Gov. CLAFLIN, by the Sergeant-at-Arms. During the reception and presentation the Duke entered into an animated conversation in English with several ladies to whom he was introduced. Passing through the Library, which was filled with eager spectators, His Highness returned to Doric Hall, and made a detour, during which his attention was directed by the Governor to the statue of Gov. ANDREW, the busts of LINCOLN, SUMNER, and the tattered ensigns which were borne through the great struggle for the preservation of the Union. No time was lost, and, without undue haste, the Imperial guest left the State-house and re-entered his carriage, accompanied by Gov. CLAFLIN, Mayor GASTON and M. CATACAZY; the other gentlemen resumed their seats, and, under escort of the cavalry, proceeded down Beacon, through Charles and Cambridge streets, on their way to Harvard College.

THE DRIVE IN THE SUBURBS.

The Prince seemed to thoroughly enjoy the ride out to Cambridge and Charlestown over the trim mill-dam, the fashionable afternoon drive of the town, and the famous trotting course, and by the pleasant ways and places, and well he might, for others have been before him, and so sung its praises that it has become far-famed. All along the way knots of people were gathered, and the Prince was cheered and otherwise constantly honored.

AT CAMBRIDGE.

Emerging from the cordon of cavalry, the carriages containing the Grand Duke and his retinue filed into the University Yard and proceeded directly to Gore Hall, the library, where President ELIOT and a large gathering of Professors and others were in waiting to receive him. Many ladies occupied positions in the balconies commanding a view of the assemblage, the Duke entered accompanied by Gov. CLAFLIN, and was by his Excellency introduced to President ELIOT, Hon. JNO. H. CLIFFORD, President of the Board of Overseers, Hon. E. R. HOAR, Hon. GEORGE TYLER BIGELOW, also of the Board of Overseers, and Mr. NATHANIEL SILSBEE, Treasurer of the Corporation. Vice-Admiral POSSIET and Ex-Minister CATACAZY entered with Lieut.-Gov. TUCKER, and were also introduced. Then followed the Governor's staff and the Boston City Committee, each in charge of a guest of the Ducal suite. After a minute or two passed in conversation, and when a few more introductions were made, the Duke took the arm of President ELIOT and made a tour of the ground floor of the library. He was afterward presented to Mr. JOHN LANGDON SIBLEY, the librarian, who reminded the guest of the interest his father, the present Czar, had taken in the cause of education, by showing a valuable accession to the library presented by ALEXANDER II., namely, a copy of the *Bibliorum Codex Sinaticus Petropolitanus*, received through Baron STOECKL, while Minister to the United States. *The Memoirs and Collections of the Imperial Academy at St. Petersburg*, a hundred volumes, were also shown His Highness as a reminder of the importance with which the researches and publications of that Society were viewed. After looking over other buildings, they were driven to the residence of President ELIOT, on Quincy-street, where a lunch was partaken of. The visitors were followed in their wanderings by a large crowd, but no extraordinary demonstration took place, further than a hearty salute by the students as the carriages entered the College grounds. Some of the more gay and festive of these students, by the way, indulged in many rather extensive larks during the day, regarding the occasion as specially suggestive of such. One of their follies was to have ordered from Boston 140 quarts of ice-cream and forty hacks. When the ice-cream came out there was no one to receive it, and the building at which it was to be delivered was bolted and barred, and the forty carriages were aimlessly driving about the sleepy town for nearly an hour in search of somebody for orders.

AT CHARLESTOWN.

Bunker Hill was gazed at, the Navy-yard inspected, and a most elaborate reception, brief hop and informal banquet all in one, at the Admiral's house, attended. While being "toted" about the Navy-yard, the Prince looked decidedly bored, though he surely tried to appear entertained, and when he was obliged to stand on the edge of a bleak pier in an incipient snow-storm, surrounded by a gaping crowd for many long minutes waiting for the explosion of a torpedo, which never happened, he was indeed an object for pity. From the Admiral's house the party were driven directly to their Revere House quarters to prepare for the ball.

CATACAZY THROWN.

After the procession left the State House, the inmates of the second carriage had a narrow escape from severe injury. The horses were frightened, and becoming unmanageable from some cause, ran with terrible speed up Columbus-avenue, and were only checked by the driver reining them full against a lamp-post. Alderman JENKINS and the Russian CATACAZY were thrown out, but, fortunately, received only slight injuries. The barouche was badly damaged. This is the statement as given by the Police.

THE BALL.

It is now midnight and the grand ball in the Boston Theatre, the first great event of the Prince's visit, is fairly begun. The Prince, costumed in sombre black, like every other gentleman in the house, distinguished only by the blue sash across his breast, sits in his gorgeous crimson box high up in the front of the second balcony, and surveys the brilliant scene on the floor below and in the balconies on either side, in company with a trio of quite pretty ladies and Mr. CATACAZY, and grouped behind, two or three of the Ball Committee. The immense orchestra ranged in the balconies on either side of the stage, one portion led by GILMORE, of Jubilee fame, and the other by CARL ZERRAHN, is performing a polka, and a crowd of dancers are endeavoring to be graceful and easy in a crowd of idle gazers. The Prince, with his suite, entered the theatre and the Ducal box only a half hour ago. The reception was cordial, though not enthusiastic, the Boston chill, of which so many artists have dread, being apparently on the assembled company. In response to the feeble applause but quite general handkerchief-waving, he bowed and bowed again, while the orchestra rolled out in magnificent style the now already quite familiar strains of the Russian Hymn. Immediately after the ball was formally opened, the Duke's set was composed as follows: His Imperial Highness and Mrs. GASTON, wife of the Mayor; CATACAZY and Miss WINTHROP, daughter of Hon. ROBERT C. WINTHROP; J. J. C. WARREN and Miss SHAW, daughter of the late J. HOWLAND SHAW; Mr. BRAGIOLETTI, Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements, with Miss FRANK PEABODY. The company present is large, but not so crowded as was anticipated, numbering perhaps 2,000 people. It includes some of the most prominent of Bostonians and also many that are not. To be explicit, it is decidedly a mixed gathering, and exhibits not a little of that aristocracy which has been termed shoddy by the side of the very cream of Boston society. The ladies' toilets are varied and showy, and there are a few of marked elegance but not all are tasteful. It must not be inferred from this criticism that the general effect is displeasing or unsatisfactory. Such is by no means the case. There are many beautiful women present and lovely girls, but on the whole there is an absence of that style and striking brilliancy that such a ball in New-York would present. The Duke an hour hence lunches in the private lunch-room with a select few, and then goes to his hotel. The decorations are very beautiful, and altogether the ball may be set down as a success.

THE CHICAGO LAW LIBRARY.

Letter of Gov. Hoffman to the Chairman of the Library Committee.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 8.—The following letter from Gov. HOFFMAN, of New York, will explain itself:

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, ALBANY, Dec. 4.

GENTLEMEN: I received yesterday morning your letter of the 1st inst., relative to supplying a part of the great loss sustained by the Law Institute and legal profession of Chicago by fire. I have made arrangements this morning with Messrs. BANKS & BROTHERS, law book-sellers, to forward to the Institute, without delay, a complete set of Session Laws and Revised Statutes of this State, with the State Reports from the beginning, Digests and the last edition of *Kent's Commentaries*. They will be forwarded by express in a few days, the charges prepaid. I have preferred not to wait for authority from the Legislature, deeming a prompt response to your request important. I have no doubt my action will be approved, and I beg the Law Institute to accept the books as a gift from the State of New-York. If your rooms are not ready, please notify me how long you wish the delivery delayed. Truly yours,

(Signed,) JOHN T. HOFFMAN.

Mr. THOMAS HAYNE, Chairman of Committee.

The Philadelphia City Business Suspended—Confusion in the Financial Department.

PHILADELPHIA, Penn., Dec. 8.—In accordance with the instructions of Judge PAXSON, an investigation has been made into the affairs of the City Treasury. The official report says that all the business of the City Treasury is suspended, no person being authorized to receive or pay any moneys; and owing to said suspension large sums of money have accumulated in the hands of the chiefs of the various departments greatly in excess of the money for which bonds have been entered by said departments. Such facts have been presented that the Grand Inquest are of opinion that those whose duty it is to provide for the management of the City Treasury and the safety of the city funds have been derelict in duty, and censurable for such management, whereby the city funds may be endangered, citizens subjected to inconvenience and loss, and the credit of the city impaired. Judge PAXSON is considering what action to take in the premises.

BLAIR'S "PASSIVITY."

The Philadelphia Age Dissents from the Missouri Senator.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 8.—The *Age* to-morrow, noticing MONTGOMERY BLAIR'S letter to the New-York *World* recommending the "passive policy," will editorially dissent. It says:

"We do not know of any mode by which the Democratic Party could be placed in that attitude till its National Convention assembles, except by a tacit understanding and a general assent; and to make our position clear we will at once dissent emphatically from the proposal. We never heard a new phrase that sounds less acceptable than that one that implies 'passivity,' when the best hope of success lies in vigor and action. The Democratic Party now represents those principles of free civil government that are the best possession and the dearest right of every American citizen. That there will be a rally of all conservative men to support these principles is so clear that it has raised the hopes of all freemen worthy of the name and fears of all conspirators for military governments."

THE WEATHER.

Synopsis and Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9—1 A. M.—The barometer has remained quite low since Thursday night in New-York and New-England, with brisk winds from the north-west and south-west on the lower lakes and middle Atlantic coast. Fresh winds and clear weather now prevail from Maine to Virginia; light winds in the Southern and Gulf States. The highest barometer is central over Iowa. Threatening and rainy weather is reported from Louisiana and Texas. Cloud and snow continue on the lower lakes. Clear weather has prevailed at the Rocky Mountains and Pacific Station.

PROBABILITIES.

The barometer will probably continue to rise from the upper Mississippi to the Middle and Eastern States, with south-westerly winds veering to the north-west; clearing weather on the lower lakes, and clear weather elsewhere; the highest pressure yesterday from Michigan to Kentucky, with clear weather during the day east of Alabama. The area of cloud and rain continues in the South-west; the winds diminish on the lower lakes, and pleasant weather continues in California.

WARNING SIGNALS ORDERED.

Cautionary signals continue for to-night at Oswego, Rochester, Buffalo and Cleveland.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

The following items are collated from the regular dispatches received at the Signal office during the past twenty-four hours: Snow fell last night, at Burlington, Vt.; Detroit, Mich.; Marquette, Mich., and Montreal, Canada. It was sleeting in Oswego, N. Y., and the weather was foggy in Denver, Col., and San Francisco. Upon the summit of Mount Washington heavy snow was falling, with a heavy gale from the west; the barometer was recorded 29.42, while the temperature was 9° above zero. The temperature in this city, last night, fell to 33°. Snow fell this morning in Buffalo, N. Y., and Cleveland, Ohio. The temperature in Duluth, Minn., was 5° below zero, and at Escanaba, Mich., 1° below zero. Upon the summit of Mount Washington the barometer was recorded at 29.40; the thermometer registered 9° above zero, and a light snow was falling, with a west wind, blowing ninety-one miles an hour. Snow fell this evening at Oswego, N. Y., and Montreal. The weather in Buffalo, N. Y., was clearing up. In this city, at 5 o'clock, the wind from the north-west was blowing thirty-five miles an hour. The temperature is falling, and was recorded, at 7 o'clock, at 37°. Upon the summit of Mount Washington the snow was still falling, and the wind was blowing a gale from the west. At Lynchburg, Va., the weather was clear, with a south-west wind blowing twenty-eight miles an hour.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

EUGENE ATKINS was killed at Westfield, Mass., on Thursday, by a bank of gravel falling on him.

The gas-works at Winsted, Conn., exploded yesterday afternoon, and two men were severely, although not fatally, burned.

The trial of KELLY, which commenced in Dublin on Thursday, has been interrupted and postponed until January.

The British Attorney-General refuses the application of a solicitor for the commencement of actions for libel against the London papers.

Port-au-Prince, Hayti, dates to the 3d inst. report business brisk, and a heavy demand for coffee and logwood, and prices advancing.

Fifty more convicts were transferred from Sing Sing to Auburn on Thursday. Gen. GREENTHALL was among the number.

The steam-ship *Nina*, (?) from New-York, for Cardiff, has been abandoned at sea. Her crew were saved by the steam-ship *Aleppo*, from Boston, and landed at Liverpool.

The Argyll Rooms, a famous place of entertainment in London, England, was totally destroyed by fire yesterday morning. A number of adjacent buildings were also burned.

A fire at Munda Station, Livingston County, N. Y., on Thursday night, destroyed Partridge's Block, Thompson's Block, and three dwellings. Loss $20,000.

The Kansas Pacific Railway, which has been blocked by snow, is now clear from Kansas City to Cheyenne. The Union Pacific mails are coming over it from the West.

The Wilmington, Columbia and Augusta Railroad has been completed to Columbia, S. C., and on and after Dec. 13 will open a line between the North and South via Columbia.

The last rail on the Shepang Valley Railroad, running from Hawleyville, on the Housatonic Railroad, to Litchfield, Conn., was laid on Thursday.

The steamer *Fannie Brandies*, for Cairo, with 200 bales of cotton and a few passengers, struck a snag near the head of Island No. 40, Mississippi River, on Thursday night, and sunk to the boiler deck. No lives were lost.

Five passenger trains from the West are snow-bound at Laramie, on the Pacific Railroad. The trains from the East have arrived at Cheyenne, but the road is still blocked on the summit between Laramie and Cheyenne.

Col. DICKEY'S California mustang mare *Kate* trotted twenty miles over a very heavy track in fifty-nine minutes and thirty seconds, in San Francisco, yesterday. Her owner then offered to wager $1,000 that she could trot another mile immediately inside of 2:55, but there were no takers.

The exequatur of the following Consuls were gazetted yesterday in Madrid: Gen. A. T. A. TORBERT, as United States Consul-General at Havana; Señor MICONI, as Mexican Consul at Cadiz; Señor PATERA, as Mexican Consul at Granada: RICHARD T. LOWENSTEIN, as United States Vice-Consul at Grao; CHARLES H. EDER, United States Vice-Consul at Seville, and Mr. FRENOR, United States Vice-Consul at Valencia.

Appointment of a Receiver of the New-Amsterdam Insurance Company.

On application of the Attorney-General, Judge BARNARD yesterday made an order appointing BERNARD CASSERLY temporary receiver of the New-Amsterdam Fire Insurance Company. The report of Mr. MILLER, Superintendent of Insurance, on which the application was based, shows that the capital of the Company is nearly all exhausted. The assets are stated to be $332,388 06; the liabilities, including $300,000 capital, amount to $308,958 09; the excess of liabilities over assets, including capital, is $476,-563 03; exclusive of capital, $176,563 03. The order to show cause why the receivership should not be continued, was made returnable on the 14th inst. It was stated on behalf of the Superintendent that he delayed in this case in order to allow the Company to try and effect some compromise with its Chicago policy-holders, of which there was at one time a fair hope.

The Communist Parade Prohibited by the Police.

At a meeting of the Board of Police held yesterday the following resolution was adopted:

That the Superintendent be directed to notify the officers of the International Society of this City that the proposed parade of the Society on Sunday next, Dec. 10, will not be permitted on that day, and that the parade or demonstration, if made, must be on some other day of the week than Sunday; and further, that the Superintendent be directed to take the necessary measures to prevent the parade on Sunday in case the Society should persist in parading on that day.

The prohibited demonstration was to be in commemoration of ROSSEL and the other lately executed Communists, and the procession was to have started at noon from the Cooper Institute.

The following was to be the line of march of the procession: From Cooper Institute down Bowery to Great Jones-street, to Broadway, Waverley-place, Fifth-avenue, up to Thirty-fourth-street, Sixth-avenue down to Fourteenth-street, to Lincoln Monument, where a salvo of honor was to be fired over the catafalque, then disbandment.

THE PRINCE OF WALES

Startling Change in His Condition Reported.

His Malady Takes an Unfavorable and Dangerous Turn.

Members of the Royal Family Summoned to Sandringham.

Bulletins of the Physicians Yesterday and Last Night.

The Most Intense Excitement Manifested in London.

False Reports of the Prince's Death Circulated,

LONDON, Dec. 8.—There has been an unfavorable change in the condition of the Prince of WALES. The first bulletin this morning, signed by Sir WILLIAM JENNER, M. D., reports that the Prince passed a very uneasy night, and this morning there is a considerable increase of the fever. This official news, and the various rumors on the street, some of them exaggerating the case, cause a renewal of alarm, and have the effect of depressing

AFFAIRS IN ENGLAND.

The Revolutionary Baronet—A Clouded Horizon—The Question of National Education—Literary Gossip—The Metropolitan Theatres.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Saturday, Nov. 25, 1871.

Sir CHARLES DILKE has been unlucky in his crusade against the monarchy. Since his address at Newcastle he has proclaimed himself an out and out Republican, without any qualification, but at the same time he has repudiated the idea of attacking the Queen personally, or of arguing for the abolition of the monarchy on the ground that it entails the expense of a few superfluous retainers. He admits that a monarchy may even do some good in the way of preventing political intrigues for power, and he would have it crumble away gradually and peacefully, instead of being torn down by violent hands. He made the mistake in the first instance of arguing a question of principle on the basis of mere details; he put the cart before the horse. The public mind is ripe for a discussion of the principles of the Constitution, and when these have been threshed out, the right or wrong of detail arrangements can be settled offhand. This country has always shed its effete institutions in the natural way, as the stag sheds its antlers and the crab his shell, rubbing them off gently when they are only hanging by a thread, and when a sufficient substitute has already grown up underneath; and if ever the monarchy goes, that, I have no doubt, will be the fashion of its going. At Bristol, Sir C. DILKE was much applauded for his avowal of Republicanism, but at Leeds, where there was some apprehension of disturbances, he was a good deal hissed and the audience sang "God Save the Queen" in chorus to his denunciations of the monarchy. On the other hand he has been offered the honorary membership of the International Association, and has had votes of thanks passed to him by some of the beer-shop discussion clubs which call themselves "Republican Leagues," "Patriotic Societies" and so on. Two characteristic incidents occurred at one of these gatherings. It appears that the revolutionists insist upon a certain moderation of language, for a speaker who declaimed against the Prince of WALES as a "thief, blackguard and wuss," was ruled to have gone too far; the chairman and the meeting agreed that "wuss" was on the wrong side of the line. On the same occasion it was announced that the *Republican* newspaper has been reduced to raffle a blanket to keep itself going.

A STORM BREWING.

Speculations as to the relative superiority of monarchical and republican institutions are not at the present moment of much practical importance. The real storm, and it is a very serious and even dangerous one, is brewing in quite another quarter. Whether it will break out now or blow over for the present, it is difficult to say, but it is quite certain that in any case it will only be postponed, and not got rid of until it has blown itself out. This impending difficulty is one which should be appreciated in New-York, for New-Yorkers themselves are confronted by something of the same kind. All other questions sink into comparative insignificance by the side of the great struggle between the Catholic priesthood and the Government in regard to national education, which is now beginning, and which, before it is done, will go to the very roots of the Constitution. The chief battle-ground will, of course, be Ireland, but there is also an English question which must be governed by the same principles which are applied to the Irish question. I need not go into the history of the secular, or as their opponents styled them, "goodless" schools, established in Ireland when the late Lord DERBY, then Lord STANLEY, was Chief Secretary. At first they were opposed by the Protestant party and supported by the Catholics for whom it was, at least, as they thought, a gain to have a stop put to the Protestant teaching which had hitherto been carried on at the cost of Government. But the successive triumphs of the Catholics have encouraged fresh demands, instead of appeasing them, and they now insist that the education system shall be made denominational instead of secular—that is to say, that Government shall hand over to them so much money to be spent by them in educating the people as Catholics. Their plea is, of course, that a secular education is not only imperfect but deleterious, and that it is a mischief to the children to teach them, say, reading or arithmetic, without at the same time and in the same place inculcating the infallibility of the Pope, the intercession of the Saints, the Divinity of the Virgin Mary, and the other cardinal principles of their faith, not only by lectures and lessons, but by flags, emblems and mottoes stuck about the school-rooms. The Irish Protestants object to be taxed for the direct propagation of a religion which they believe to be false and mischievous, but the English Episcopalians, though they would prefer the existing system to be continued in Ireland, cannot consistently advocate this view without consenting to the application of a similar rule in England, which would loosen their hold on education in that country. They are, therefore, not indisposed to surrender Ireland to the Catholics for the sake of maintaining their own supremacy in England. By the Education act of last year, the amount of denominational education to be given is left to the decision of each School Board, subject to the operation of a conscience clause which would prevent any children from being forced to attend against the will of their parents. If this rule were extended to Ireland, it would, no doubt, be worked very much to the profit of the Catholics. The natural solution of the question might, as it seems to me, be reached by two easy steps of a very simple argument. In the first place, the people ought not to be taxed for the teaching of a religion which a majority of them believe to be false, blasphemous and pernicious; and that is the opinion which, rightly or wrongly, is held in regard to the Catholic religion by the great majority of the people of the United Kingdom. It is right that such a religion should be allowed to be freely taught and propagated, but not at the expense of the State. On the other hand, the Catholics are something more than a mere fraction of the population, and it would be pushing the rights of majorities too far to insist that the Catholics should pay for teaching the Protestant religion, while denied all assistance in teaching their own. The fair and reasonable course would therefore be to leave the sects to provide their own denominational teaching, and to limit the public schools to the teaching of things about which there is a general agreement. The difficulty is that Mr. GLADSTONE has a hankering after the Church system in England; and that the late Chief Secretary for Ireland has, in trying to govern that country through the priests, compromised himself dangerously by promises to the Catholic hierarchy. It is said that he and Mr. MONSELL, the Postmaster General, a recent convert, and nominee of the priests, must resign unless the Government gives way to Cardinal CULLEN. On the other hand Mr. LOWE and Mr. STANSFELD lead another section of the Cabinet which is steadfastly opposed to the Catholic claims, as retrograde and full of future mischief. It is obvious, however, that these claims cannot be honestly and fairly refused, unless the English Church also resigns what the Irish Catholics ask for. It is quite understood that the Irish priesthood, if not satisfied, will retaliate by creating trouble in the sister island. I have no doubt how it will end, but in the meantime the prospect is exceedingly unpleasant, especially for the Ministry. They have this week lost another seat at Plymouth, and the Solicitor General has only just got in at Dover.

LITERARY GOSSIP.

The Winter publishing season, which promised so little at the outset, is yielding more satisfactory results than were anticipated. In a few days we shall have *The Last Tournament*, a new idyll of the King from TENNYSON, and very soon after that a poem by BROWNING, entitled *Prince Hohenstiel-Schwangau, the Savior of Society*, in which the pros and cons, the self-justification, and private doubts and qualms of a despotic and not particularly scrupulous statesman of this type will be delineated after the manner, I suppose, of Bishop BLOUGRAM'S famous soliloquy. The living Prince who has suggested the type will at once occur to every one, and the poet's odd admiration, which he shared with his wife, for the late Emperor of the French as the savior of Italy, will no doubt influence his sympathies in this case. Then we are to have the first part of a novel by "Geo. Eliot," (Miss EVANS,) called *Middlemarch*. It is a study of English provincial life, and will be published after a new fashion, in separate books. Book I., headed "Miss Brooks," will be ready with next month's magazines. The orthodox novel is in three volumes, at ten shillings and sixpence the volume, but it is not stated how many books at five shillings apiece will complete *Middlemarch*. The story of the last *Plebiscite*, supposed to be narrated by one of the 7,500,000 who voted for the Empire, by the joint authors, MM. ERCKMANN-CHATRIAN, is to appear in English before it is published in France, in the pages of the *Cornhill Magazine*. The first volume of Mr. JOHN FORSTER'S *Life of Charles Dickens* will also be ready immediately. Mr. JOHN FORSTER was DICKENS' most intimate friend and companion, and acted for him with full discretion to do what he thought proper in various delicate family matters. The third volume of *Brougham's Memoirs* is announced.

THE LONDON THEATRES.

A new drama by the late JOHN PARRY and JOHN OXENFORD, called "Hidden Secrets," is to be brought out to-night at the Adelphi, and a drama called "The Bells," by LEOPOLD LEWIS, at the Lyceum, which is still under Mr. BATEMAN'S management. The public is warned that the former is "sensational," and no doubt it will prove to be so, but people have been so overdone with dramatic sensations that I am afraid their nerves are dulled to such expedients. "The Bells" is a translation of a piece written a year or two since by MM. ERCKMANN-CHATRIAN, not as an acting play, but as a dramatic study, and placed upon the stage afterward rather against their wishes and very much to their alarm, though it proved to be a genuine success. It has already been done into English by Mr. BURNAND, the burlesque writer, whose version was produced a week ago at the Alfred Theatre. BURNAND lays the scene in Cornwall, but LEWIS, I believe, sticks to Elsass. The point of the piece is indicated in the title. An old man, who has committed a murder, is haunted by the ringing of the bells on the neck of the horse with which his victim had driven up to his door; they are always sounding in his ears and he lives in perpetual terror of detection, more especially as one of the *gendarmes*, who is his daughter's sweetheart, is always coming about the house. The sudden arrival of a car with jingling bells, reviving the old horrors, throws him into an agony of remorse and fear, and he falls down dead. A piece by CRAVEN, called "Coals of Fire," in which the author plays the chief part, has been produced at the Court Theatre, where GILBERT'S "On Guard" proved a complete failure. A worthless scamp is about to marry the daughter of an old market gardener, in the belief that she is, under a will known only to himself and rather, the heiress to a large fortune, but insists upon the old fellow emigrating, as he is not respectable enough in appearance to be admitted as a member of the family. The gardener, who is devoted to his daughter, voluntarily disappears, but the daughter refuses to marry till he is found. Meanwhile the scamp renounces the girl on the discovery that she inherits the fortune only through her father, who is lost or dead. Ultimately the old man turns up and heaps coals of fire on his enemies' heads by a lavish distribution of valuable presents. It is not much of a piece, but CRAVEN makes the most of his own part. A play by WATTS PHILLIPS, called "On the Jury," will be produced at the Princess', with PHELPS and BENJAMIN WEBSTER in the principal characters. Mr. DION BOUCICAULT, who has been absent from the London stage for some years, through a conspiracy of managers, he says—because the public were tired of him, they say—reappears at the Gaiety for a brief engagement in "Night and Morning," a new drama of his own. He will also have a farewell engagement at the same house next Summer, before leaving for America. Mr. SOTHERN'S return is fixed for May next year. The French plays still continue at the St. James, but are not much worth, the pieces being stupid and the performers third-rate. F. H. J.

ERIE RAILROAD ACCIDENTS.

Two Narrow Escapes from Death—Singular Wreck of a Coal-Train—How a Teamster was Woke Up.

From Our Own Correspondent.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Thursday, Dec. 7, 1871.

Two singular accidents occurred on the Erie Railway last night, both being attended by miraculous escapes from death. At about 7 o'clock, as Conductor DOUGHERTY'S coal-train was about a mile and a half west of this station, it separated in four pieces. The different parts came together with such velocity as to make an almost complete wreck of the train. The cars were heaped one upon another, and nine of them went headlong down an embankment. On one of these was flagman FRANK BELLEW, and it being impossible for him to get off the car, he was carried down and entirely buried beneath the wreck. He was released as soon as possible, and was found to be very seriously injured. His escape from instant death is regarded by railroad men as most wonderful. One arm was smashed to a jelly, and his side and legs were badly crushed. He was brought to the Taylor House, in this place. The physicians pronounce his injuries not necessarily fatal. The smash-up obstructed both tracks for two hours, detaining the New-York express, East, about an hour and a half. Other men on the train were slightly injured.

Just after, express train No. 1, going west, had left Elmira last night, and was going at a high rate of speed to make up time, the engineer saw in the light of his head-lamp, at the Big Flats crossing, and only a few yards ahead of him, a team and lumber-wagon standing still upon the track. He sounded his whistle, but the team did not move, and the next instant the locomotive went crashing into them. The horses were literally cut to pieces, and the wagon, broken into a hundred fragments, was scattered in every direction. The train was stopped as soon as possible, and search made for the driver. He was found sitting above the cow-catcher, wrapped up in a horse blanket, and looking about him with a composed and half-awake air. He was not injured, beyond a few bruises, strange as it may seem. He was unable to give any coherent account of how he came to be on the track with his horses, and did not know what had happened until he was told of it. He gave his name as JOHN CORNELL, of Jackson, Penn., and said he was on his way to Big Flats. It is supposed he had been drinking to excess, and lying down in his wagon, fell asleep. He got aboard the train and went to the next station, and was the "observed of all observers" among the passengers.

LOCAL PROHIBITION.

Meeting of Representatives of the Temperance Organizations of the State—A Bill to be Prepared for Presentation to the Legislature.

There was a meeting of the Joint Temperance Committee, representing the various organizations of the State, in Syracuse on Wednesday, H. S. MCCOLLUM occupying the chair, and Rev. S. B. DICKINSON acting Secretary. After the object of the meeting had been stated from the Chair to be the consideration of the form of a law to secure local prohibition, and to take measures to insure its enactment by the incoming Legislature, the following resolution, introduced by Rev. SAMUEL MCKEAN, was discussed at much length, and adopted without opposition:

Resolved, That a Subcommittee of five be appointed by the Chair to prepare a bill for the consideration of the Legislature, to be reported for examination and approval by this Joint Committee, at a meeting hereafter to be held, and that such Committee be advised that it is the opinion of this body:

1. That all laws authorizing the licensing of the sale of intoxicating beverages should be absolutely repealed.

2. That the will of the people of the several localities should be expressed by vote at a public election.

3. That the principle of the so-called "Ohio law of civil damages" should be incorporated among the penal sections of the bill, or embodied in the act, to be presented separately to the Legislature.

4. That the traffic should be declared a nuisance, and the seller guilty of misdemeanor, and that the penalties should be adequate to the suppression of the sale in localities where the people have voted to prohibit it, increasing in severity with each repetition of the offense.

Rev. Samuel McKean, of Albany; Hon. Horace E. Smith, of Johnstown, Hon. John O'Donnell, of Lowville; J. L. Bagg, Esq., of Syracuse, and Rev. S. B. Dickinson, of Buffalo, were appointed as such Committee, and it was resolved that a public demonstration in favor of local prohibition should be made in Albany during the session of the Legislature.

CHICAGO AND THE WEST.

Odd-Fellows' Meeting in Aid of the Sufferers at the West—Addresses by Hon. Schuyler Colfax, S. S. Cox, and Others.

Last evening a meeting was held at Cooper Institute under the auspices of I. O. O. F., American Lodge No. 272, New-York, in aid of the sufferers by the late fires in Chicago and the West. The hall was well filled. After music by Grafulla's Seventh Regiment band, Grand Master E. S. RALPHS made a brief address explaining the objects of the meeting, after which he introduced Hon. SCHUYLER COLFAX, whose appearance was the signal for prolonged applause. Mr. COLFAX spoke as follows:

LADIES AND FRIENDS: I come from the National Capital to my native City in compliance with your invitation, with a happier heart than ever before. To aid in the noble work of charity, in the relief of distress, in the assuaging of human woe and the soothing of human sorrow, honors as well as gladdens all who participate in it. It is of the heavens heavenly, and not of the earth earthy. It lifts us out of the miserable mire and quicksand of human selfishness. It places our feet on the sure rock of a broad and generous philanthropy. It warms us with the inspiring sunshine of God's smile. It recognizes the second great commandment, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself," and it illustrates that rule of all rules, that duty of all duties, which the world has called so justly the Golden Rule, "Whatsoever ye would that others should do unto you, do ye even so unto them." We cannot realize, even with the most fervid imagination, that great calamity at Chicago, whose terrible story echoed around the civilized world, and filled it with sorrow and sympathy. One hundred thousand men, women and infants, who on one day had homes, but on the next were houseless, homeless, foodless, with the chill October winds piercing them through and through as they crowded together on the cold and open prairie to which they had fled for their lives—what an aggregation of misery and suffering, of the keenest anguish and the darkest despair, must have been crowded into that fearful day! When men of wealth had not where to lay their heads, what must have been the trials of those who had lost their all, their little *all* perhaps, but still, expressive word, their all, with neither home of the humblest, nor worldly gear of the poorest, nor the smallest of earthly means—all swept away by the tornado of fire and flame. But to this night of gloom followed a morning of hope and succor. A city, the most marvelous in its growth of which history speaks, overwhelmed in a night by the most startling calamity ever known, attracted to its relief in the most extraordinary and gratifying outpouring of charity witnessed during our lives, if not during all past eras of modern or ancient history. Quick as the lightning flashed the fearful news throughout the land; flashed back the prompt response of a nation's sympathizing heart. From rich and poor, from friend and stranger, came benefactions as unexampled as was the calamity itself. The disaster of the present year ever moved so powerfully the whole civilized world. Not only in our own land, but beyond the Atlantic; from the rivers indeed to the ends of the earth, came the swift-winged messages of humanity and charity, of the truest philanthropy and the purest unselfishness. From within the shadow of thrones, and from thrones themselves, came the heaven-prompted charity of Christendom. The rich gave their thousands, but the poor gave their dollars, and the dear children their pennies, while the story of the widow's mite was over and over again realized. I rejoice that your hearts, too, were prompted from that Throne whence flow all good impulses, to join in this noble labor of love. It is easy for Odd-fellows to mingle in a philanthropic demonstration like this. Condemned by those who really know us not, for ministering as we do, first to our own fraternal family, as if it were selfishness, our whole ritual impresses and reimpresses on the hearts of its initiates a gospel of unselfish benevolence, wide as the world, and limited only by the obligations of life with which we are all environed. We seek to warm and unlock the hearts of our members, to render them more regularly thoughtful of the distresses of those about them, to teach them that the joy resulting from unselfish kindness to the children of woe, exceeds all pleasures that money can buy, and in a word to render benevolence attractive to make a heart for which it has been before a stranger. Nor do we fail in our efforts. I exclude from my calculations all sickness and funeral benefits paid to members and their widows in the time of trial and need, all amounts paid for the education of our orphans to fit them for spheres of usefulness and dignity of virtue, instead of rearing them, as the world too often trains its orphans, for the poor-house, the chain-gang, and the prison. And, proportioning the wealth of our members to the aggregate of the communities where our lodges are to be found, I claim that all over the land, whenever the cry of distress and the wail of the miserable appeal for prompt and liberal succor, the members of our Order give dollar for dollar with those not bound to the special obligations we have, as a fraternity, so faithfully fulfilled. When it falls in such ministrations, I shall be among the first to condemn it. But it will not, for wherever its altars are erected the blessedness of Benevolence, as well as the wickedness of Selfishness, is always taught, and the fruits of such teachings are the highest glories of the Order, causing it to go onward in its successful career, prospering and to prosper, conquering and to conquer.

Nor is this all. Ever at our altars has been taught that sublime doctrine of the Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of Man. Outside our halls this divine truth may be dimmed or darkened by carping criticism as to creed or clime. But, since Odd-fellowship has existed, its ritual has always declared that there is but one nation on the world; but one family—the whole human race; and that in every duty of benefaction, in every ministration of mercy, all mankind is our neighbor. And whenever we assuage a single woe, relieve a single want, soften a single pang—this is the noblest monument to our Order we ask, the proudest meed of praise we labor to deserve. I know that many religious men are prejudiced against all societies that meet in secret, or that have private signs and passwords. Without attempting to answer in detail their objections, I may be allowed in this presence to say that, after a membership of a quarter of a century, I can declare, most earnestly, that I have never heard a single instruction of our entire ritual to which the most conscientious citizen could justly object, drawn, as all of them are, directly and often literally, from the sacred volume always to be found in our halls. Our lodge-rooms are profaned by no bacchanalian orgies or sinful rites. Our walls echo to sounds we would not blush from having ascend with us to the judgment bar. I could sum up, indeed, all the teachings of Oddfellowship in these strikingly impressive lines of the poet:

"We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts, not breaths;
In feelings, not in figures on a dial;
We should count time by heart-throbs. He most lives
Who blesses most, feels the noblest, acts the best."

I must not longer detain you with these prefatory remarks. Welcome this night to you, one and all! Welcome to this inspired and blessed work of benefaction! Welcome to the relief of human suffering! Welcome to the good work of helping the helpless and befriending the friendless! Welcome to the giving of bread to the hungry, shelter to the homeless, warmth to the shivering, clothing to the destitute, and above all, hope to the despairing! For this you shall have an abundant reward. "He that giveth to the poor, lendeth to the Lord;" and who would not be happy to be a creditor of such a loan? Its dividends cannot fail to be more precious than the wealth of Ormuz and the Ind, surer than the rock-ribbed hills, which will all pass away, while this will be immortal. When the cry of distress is heard, I can never forget that prophetic glimpse of the Last Day which He who spake as never man spoke, gave us when He walked on the earth—when He declares He shall be heard to say: "I was an hungered and ye gave me food, thirsty and ye gave me drink, naked and ye clothed me, sick and ye visited me. Inasmuch as ye did this to the least of these my children, ye did it unto me." And whoever on the earth wins the blessing of Him who was ready to perish, and makes the widow's heart leap for joy, can claim for himself the redemption of that promise of inspiration, "Blessed is he that considereth the poor. The Lord will deliver him in trouble. The Lord will preserve him and keep him alive; and he shall be blessed upon the earth." Brothers and ladies and friends, welcome then to the joy that active benevolence brings to the heart of the cheerful giver. Welcome to the happy thoughts that shall thrill your hearts as you sit to-night by your bright fire with those you love about you, and consider that you have made some sorrowing one happy by your presence here! Welcome to the blessings promised to those who light up darkened hearth-stones, and warm chilled hearts by their human benefactions! Welcome again and again, for in blessing others you have doubly blessed yourselves; in befriending God's poor you have befriended yourselves; in relieving the wants of others, you have most abundantly enriched yourselves.

Mr. COLFAX'S address was frequently interrupted by applause.

A letter was then read from one of the oldest members of the I. O. O. F., Mr. J. H. RISLEY, of Baltimore, regretting his inability to be present, after which Hon. S. S. COX was introduced by Mr. COLFAX, and made an eloquent address on the sufferings of our Western fellow-countrymen, and the means to be adopted for their relief.

The meeting then adjourned.

Thomas C. Fields' Bail.

THOMAS C. FIELDS, with his counsel, and HAWLEY D. CLAPP, one of his sureties, appeared, yesterday, before Judge CARDOZO, in Supreme Court Chambers, for the purpose of justifying; but, in consequence of the absence of the other surety, Judge CARDOZO ordered the matter to stand over until Friday next.

LAW REPORTS.

COURT OF APPEALS CALENDAR.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 8.—The following is the Court of Appeals Day Calendar for Dec. 11: Nos. 411, 399, 396, 422, 426, 458, 460, 462.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—DEC. 8.

By Judge Brady.

In the matter of accounting of D. Levy; memorandum for counsel.

McKinley *vs.* Lamb; motion for judgment granted.

By Judge Van Brunt.

Lent et al. *vs.* Importers' and Traders' Bank of New-York; judgment for plaintiff.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—DEC. 8.

By Judge Freedman.

Charles C. Wehrum *vs.* George Kuhn; motion denied.

Patrick Brealin *vs.* Edward W. Coleman; Joseph R. Stuyvesant *vs.* Gottlelb Grisaler; Mary C. Burnham *vs.* Bernard Clark; John Patten *vs.* William J. Stitt; orders granted.

Robert Mars *vs.* George Gleason; complaint dismissed.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM—DEC. 8.

By Judge Larremore.

The Andes Insurance Company, of Cincinnati, Ohio, *vs.* Loehr; Newdecker *vs.* Kohlberg; Sampter et al. *vs.* Wolf; The First National Bank of Sing Sing, N. Y., *vs.* Campbell; orders granted.

Anstall *vs.* Wallroth; Darregh *vs.* Totten; references ordered.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

No. 23.—*Benoit J. Conjolle et al.* vs. *Cyrus Curtis and John P. Ferrie, administrators of Luz.*—Appeal from the Circuit Court for the Southern District of New-York.—This bill was filed in 1863 for the distribution of the estate of Jeanne Du Lux, who died intestate in New-York, in 1854, leaving personal property of the value of $72,000. The complainants, who are residents of France claim to be second cousins and next of kin of deceased, and ask that the property may be distributed to them. The defendants interposed a plea in bar, a former decision of the Surrogate of New-York, dated in 1856, granting letters of administration to Ferrie as the legitimate son and next of kin of deceased, and insisted that this decision of the Surrogate, and the decisions of the Courts affirming it, were conclusive judgments upon the parties to this suit on the question of distribution. The Court overruled this plea, and directed the defendant to answer; and the answer filed put in issue the same facts found by the State Courts, and which had been relied upon in the plea in bar. Upon the facts proven, the contest being on the legitimacy of Ferrie, the Court decided that he was the legitimate son of the deceased, and entitled to the entire estate. It is here contended that the Court erred in its conclusions upon the evidence, and that this Court will concur in this view. The defendants assert that the plaintiffs have no claim, and they simply desire to grasp the estate of deceased by destroying her character.

Chas. O'Conor and C. E. Whitehead for appellants; S. P. Nash for appellees.

NEW-YORK SUPREME COURT.

THE PEOPLE, &C., VS. THOMAS C. FIELDS—MOTION TO VACATE ORDER OF ARREST—DETAILED STATEMENT OF FACTS AS DISCLOSED BY THE MOVING AFFIDAVITS.

A motion to vacate the order of arrest in the above action was noticed yesterday, to be heard before Judge Learned, at Albany, on the 18th inst. The following are among the affidavits served, and are supposed to fully present the merits of the case upon the part of the defense:

In the Supreme Court, County of Albany.—The People of the State of New-York against *Thomas C. Fields, impleaded with the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New-York.*—City and County of New-York, ss.: Thomas C. Fields, being duly sworn, says: That he is one of the defendants in this action, and resides in the City of New-York, where he has resided during twenty-eight years last past. That during such time he has occupied various public offices, and is an attorney and counselor of the Supreme Court, the Corporation Attorney of the City of New-York, to which office he was appointed by the Corporation Counsel of said City on or about the 1st day of April, 1868, also Commissioner of Public Parks, an honorary office without salary, to which he was appointed by the Mayor of the said City of New-York in the month of ——, 1870, having been for about thirteen years previously one of the Central Park Commissioners, under an appointment by the Legislature of the State of New-York, and that on the 7th day of November, 1871, at the election then held, he was re-elected to represent the district in which he resides in the next Assembly of the State of New-York.

And this deponent further says that he has fully and fairly stated the case in this action to William A. Beach and Miles Beach, his counsel therein, who reside at No. 21 West Fifty-third-street, in said City, and that he has a good and substantial defense upon the merits, to the cause of action stated and set forth in the plaintiff's complaint herein, as he is advised by his said counsel, after such statement made to them, as aforesaid, and as he verily believes, and that each and all of the charges of fraud and corrupt practices charged against deponent in said complaint is and are unfounded in premises, and false in fact.

And this deponent further says, that in the year 1867, as an attorney and counselor of this Court, he was retained by the members of Engine Companies Nos. 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, and Hook and Ladder Companies Nos. 13, 14, 15, to collect in such manner as he should deem advisable, claims of such members as firemen, against the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New-York, for services rendered by them as such. That at the time of such employment, this deponent was not, nor was he during the years 1868 or 1869, a member of the Legislature of the State of New-York, and in such years, and at the time of such retainer, this deponent held no public office whatever, except that of Central Park Commissioner, as aforesaid, but was engaged in the practice of his profession at said City of New-York, and dependent thereon for his support.

And this deponent further says, that the persons so as aforesaid retaining his professional services were of limited financial means, and wanting the pecuniary ability to warrant the employment of counsel, whose charges for professional service should be paid by them irrespective of the final result upon the claims made as aforesaid, and this deponent entered into agreements in writing with his said clients in the words and figures following, to wit, as this deponent then believed and still believes he lawfully might do:

"Whereas, we, the undersigned, were in the employ of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New-York, or the Metropolitan Fire Department of said City, and performed work, labor and services as firemen, at the request of the Metropolitan Fire Commissioners, in the Metropolitan Hook and Ladder Company No. 13, between the 30th day of March, 1865, and the 1st day of January, 1868.

And whereas the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New-York, by reason of such employment by the Metropolitan Fire Commissioners, are indebted to us and to each of us, for and on account of such services, in various amounts, which are each and all of them now due and payable;

Now, therefore, know all men by these presents, that we, the undersigned, for and in consideration of the sum of one dollar, to us and each of us in hand paid by Thomas C. Fields, of the City and County of New-York, the receipt whereof we do each of us hereby acknowledge, and for other good and valuable considerations, have sold and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and set over unto the said Thomas C. Fields, thirty-three percentum of any amount that may be recovered or collected from the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New-York, or from any Board, Department or officer thereof, or from the County of New-York or the Supervisors of said county, or from any Board of Audit, or by or through any act or law of the Legislature of the State of New-York, by us or by either or each of us on account of the claims for labor and services above mentioned.

The said thirty-three percentum to be in full for all costs, disbursements or counsel fees that may be now or hereafter incurred on account of the collection of the said claims, and the undersigned are not to be called upon or required to pay or advance any money in the prosecution of said claims; and in case the prosecution of the said claims should prove unsuccessful and nothing be recovered on account of the same, no charge is to be made by the said Fields or his agents for services or expenses in the premises.

And we do hereby make, constitute and appoint the said Thomas C. Fields our true and lawful attorney irrevocable, in our names or otherwise, to ask, demand, receive, sue for, and use all lawful ways and means to collect the above-mentioned claim and claims, together with any judgment or judgments, award or amount audited, certified or allowed as due and owing to us or to either or each of us on account of or by reason of said claims, debt or demand, with full power to satisfy or compromise such claim and claims, judgment or award, that may be found due to, recovered by or awarded to us or either or each of us on account of or by reason of the matters herein specified.

This power of attorney is coupled with an interest in the claims mentioned herein and is irrevocable.

It is hereby covenanted that we or either of us have not done and will not do any act to hinder or prevent the collection of the said claims or either or any of them by the said Thomas C. Fields.

And it is hereby further covenanted and agreed that the covenants and agreements, the conditions and powers of the assignment and power of attorney shall inure to and bind the heirs, executors, administrators and assigns of the respective parties.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 9th day of March, 1868."

And afterward said percentage was increased to fifty per cent.

And this deponent further says that as such counsel, and not being a member of the Legislature of the State of New-York, he, in the year 1868, presented the claims of his said clients to such Legislature, and as their counsel, asked legislative action for their relief, and this deponent advocated an allowance of said claims to their full amount, before the proper Committee, in connection with members of said fire companies who were claimants; and as the result of such advocacy, a provision was inserted by the House of Assembly, in the bill commonly known as the County Tax Levy, section 14 thereof having in substance provided for the auditing of said claims in their full amount by the Board of Supervisors, and the payment of fifty thousand dollars in part satisfaction thereof.

That there was strong opposition to the allowance of said claims by said Legislature, made at said times by a majority of the then Board of Fire Commissioners, and among the documents then submitted to said Legislature to obtain the disallowance of the same was an official communication from said Board, among other things containing a statement of the aggregate amount thereof; and the arguments in opposition thereto, by which the members of said Legislature, and whomsoever else, might be in any degree interested therein, were fully informed of the amount of said claims, and of all the facts relative to the same; that a part of such communication was in the words and figures following:

"That within a few months, and since these companies were mustered out of service, and their places filled by the eight companies above alluded to as organized by this Board, Hon. Thomas C. Fields, as counsel for some or all of these men, had given notice of a claim on their part to full pay from the 15th of August, 1865, to the date of their muster out, at the same rate as the men doing full duty, and has been informed that no such claim was recognized by this Department, with the opportunity to sustain the same in the usual way in the Courts.

That the object of section 4 of said bill is to refer these claims to the Board of Supervisors for adjudication, and the sum of $50,000 asked for would be used as a small payment on account, to fix the responsibility of the City for the whole, in case the claims should be passed by the Board of Supervisors.

Without discussing the merits of the claim further than to express their opinion that it cannot be legally sustained after the receipt and distribution of the sum agreed to be paid, distributed and accepted under the agreement with their predecessors for years, without any additional claim being made until after their muster out of service, your Committee are of the opinion that the question is one of great importance to the tax-payers, to this Board and their predecessors, and ought to take the ordinary reference to the Courts, should it be seriously intended to press it, and for two reasons:

First. That is the usual and proper mode of settling such questions, and the decision of the Court of Appeals would be final, and necessarily satisfactory; and

Second. Because it would relieve the Board of Supervisors from the importunities of two hundred and forty-two parties in the street and their friends, to which they would be subjected.

The cost of this item, should the bill become a law, and the Board of Supervisors view the change with favor, would be:

	1865.	Pay increased. 1866.	Pay increased. 1867.
Eight foremen, four and a half months	$2,399 75	$4,800	$10,400
Eight assistant foremen, four and a half months	2,250 00	7,200	8,800
Two hundred and twenty-six privates, four and a half months	59,220 48	189,840	225,000
Total	$63,970 24	$205,840	$245,200
1867			$245,200 00
1866			205,840 00
1865			63,970 24
Total amount of claim			$515,010 24

And which is made a part of this affidavit for the purpose of showing unto this Court, by evidence documentary, that no concealment was used in the presentation of said claims, either by this deponent or the fireman holding the same.

That such opposition was finally successful in the year 1868, and, although the aforesaid provision was then passed by the Assembly, the same was disagreed to by the Senate and stricken from said bill.

And this deponent further says: That he was not a member of the Legislature of the State of New-York the year 1869. That he again presented to said body the claims of his said clients, in like form as presented the prior session, and again, as such counsel, advocated a provision for their payment to the full amount. That strenuous opposition was made, as had been theretofore, with the result that the bill passed by said Legislature on the 19th May, 1869, contained the following provision, found in the Session Laws of 1869, vol. 2, page 2,131:

"That the Controller of the City of New-York is hereby authorized and directed to audit, and adjust, and pay the claims, not to exceed the sum of $50,000, of members of engine companies Nos. 36, 37, 38, 39 and 40, and hook and ladder companies Nos. 13, 14 and 15, which were organized under the direction of the Commissioners of the Metropolitan Fire Department, between the 10th and 31st days of October, 1865, and described in the report of said Commissioners for the years 1865 and 1866, as 'suburban companies.' The said Controller is hereby authorized and directed to raise the money necessary to pay the sum or sums which may be found due said members of said Fire Department on said claims as aforesaid, on the stock of the City of New-York, issued in the usual form, said stock to be called the 'Fire Department stock,' payable thirty years after its date, and to bear interest not to exceed seven per cent. per annum. The Board of Supervisors of the County of New-York are hereby authorized and directed to order and cause to be raised by tax upon the estates by law subject to taxation, within the City and County of New-York, an amount sufficient in each year to pay the interest on the stock herein authorized, and also an amount sufficient to pay and redeem said stock at its maturity."

That the limitation contained in said section, of the amount to be paid upon said claims, to the sum of $50,000, was inserted therein by the Conference Committee of the two Houses of the Legislature, appointed upon said bill, and after the section, without any limitation whatever, had passed the House of Assembly, and under which the claimants would have been paid in full; that as this deponent was at the time informed and verily believes, the said limitation of $50,000 was inserted for the reason, as was then given, that said Tax Levy would be too large if the whole amount of said claims were therein provided for, and in nowise to limit to that sum the said claimants.

And this deponent further says, that after the passage of the act of 1869 he, as such attorney, applied to the Controller of the City of New-York for the audit of said claims, and the audit of the same was referred by him to Richard Storrs, Esq., then Deputy Controller; that shortly thereafter the said Storrs informed this deponent of his inability to perform such duty, as his time was constantly occupied by other official business, and for that reason the same was referred by said Controller to C. W. Lawrence, Esq., of the Finance Department, who proceeded with such business to completion.

And this deponent further says, that under the said section, the Finance Department of the City of New-York refused to pay beyond the sum of $50,000 to said claimants, although this deponent insisted before said Department, and also argued before the Counsel of the Corporation, to whom was referred by said Finance Department the construction of said section, that such limitation was mere surplusage, for that, the Controller was by it authorized and directed to raise the money necessary to pay the sum or sums which might be found due said members of said Fire Department in said claims as aforesaid, by issuing the stock of the City of New-York, payable in thirty years, and, therefore, if said sum of $50 000 was only to be paid, the provision to raise same by the issue of said thirty years' stock, was unnecessary and absurd.

That the said Corporation Counsel, gave by way of official advice, to said Finance Department, no definite construction to said section, but advised deponent that the safer course was for said Department to pay said sum of $50,000 upon said claim, and await further legislation, and that thereafter the Controller of said city delivered to said deponent, as the attorney for said claimants, the warrant for $49,277 34, and this deponent paid his said clients therefrom the *pro rata* amount of said payment of ten per cent. upon their said claims, according to the agreement between them and this deponent, they severally giving a receipt, in the words and figures following, to wit:

"Received, New-York, Nov. 1, 1869, of Thomas C. Fields, Esq., the several sums set opposite our names respectively on account of money due us for services performed in the Metropolitan Fire Department of the City of New-York in the years 1865, 1866, and 1867, the same being in full of ten per cent. of the whole amount due on account of our said claims."

And this deponent further says, that he was a member of Engine Company No. 37 on the Finance Department, (not this deponent,) submitted thereto the proposed legislation hereinafter set forth, this deponent never having seen same, and such provision was inserted in the act to provide for the government of the City of New-York, and became a law. That this deponent, as such member of Assembly, voted for the said bill, containing numerous other provisions, as he did for that which provided for his payment as such member, as this deponent might lawfully and honestly do. That section 7 of the act of 1870, Session Laws, volume 1, page 892, is in the following words:

"The Controller of the City of New-York is hereby authorized and directed to pay the claims which have been found to be due to the members of engine companies numbers thirty-six, thirty-seven, thirty-eight, thirty-nine and forty, and hook and ladder companies numbers thirteen, fourteen and fifteen, under the provisions of section seven, chapter eight hundred and seventy-six, laws eighteen h

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—DEC. 8.

FIRST BOARD.

$40,000 U. S. 6s,'81, R...114⅛
10,000 do.....114⅛
10,000 U. S. 6s, '81, C...117⅜
5,000 U.S. 5-20 C.,'65, n.113⅜
1,000 U. S. 5-20 R., '67.114⅛
40,000 U.S.5-20 R.,'65,n.108⅜
25,000 U. S. 5s, 10-40 C.109⅛
15,000 do.....c.109⅜
6,000 Tenn. St. 6s, n.. 65⅜
5,000 Va. St. 6s, old... 63⅜
1,000 do..... 63
5,000 Va. 6s, cons..... 65⅛
1,000 do..... 65⅛
5,000 Va. St. 6s, def... 27⅛
20,000 N. Car. 6s, O.B. 35⅛
2,000 N. Car. F. A.,'68. 21⅛
8,000 S. Car. St. 6s, n., Jan. & July... 20
1,000 do.....c. 29⅞
25,000 Bkly. 6s, W. L.. 95
2,000 Mo. St. 6s..... 98⅜
2,000 N. Y. C. 6s,'83... 91
5,000 Erie 2d..... 93⅛
4,000 Long Dock Bs.. 90
2,000 Harlem 1st..... 101
5,000 Alb. & Sus. 2d.. 93⅛
2,000 Ulr. Pac. 1st.... 97⅜
3,000 do..... 91
5,000 M. So. S. F. Bs.101
1,000 P. 7s, G. by Mo.102
5,000 H.& St.J 8s,C.B.. 94⅛
4,000 Long Dock Bs.. 90
2,000 Harlem 1st..... 101
5,000 Alb. & Sus. 2d.. 93⅛
2,000 Ulr. Pac. 1st.... 97⅜
3,000 do..... 91
5,000 M. So. S. F. Bs.101
1,000 P. 7s, G. by Mo.102
5,000 H.& St.J 8s,C.B. 94
34,000 T. & W. 8s, S.L.D 87⅛
8,000 Qu. & Tol. 1st... 88
6,000 Mor. & Es. 1st..101⅛
5,000 N. T.,S.F. & W....120
4,000 Ohio & Mis.C.B. 96⅛
1,000 Mil. & St. P. 1st. 94
5,000 Tol. & Wab. 1st. 95
2,000 M.&S P 1st,I.D. 69
2,000 C., C. & I. C. 1st. 89⅜
15,000 do..... 89⅛
2,000 Mich. So. 2d.... 97⅛

SECOND BOARD.

$2,000 U. S. 5s, '81, C...109⅛
15,000 do.....c.109⅛
5.0 U.S. 5-20 C.,'67,c.110⅛
5,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '64.111
15,000 U. S. 5-20 C.,'65, 111⅛
9,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67.114⅜
30,000 U. S. 6s, Cur.....113⅜
1,000 Va. 6s, Consol... 65⅛
5,000 Va. St. 6s, Def.. 27⅛
4,000 S. C. 6s, new, Jan. & July... 29⅜
3,000 do..... 30
10,000 do.....c. 29⅜
1,000 C. & I. C. 1st.. 89⅜
7,000 U. Pac. 1st..... 91⅜
3,000 do..... 91⅜
5,000 Cen. Pac.G. Bds.103⅛
1,000 Harlem 1st..... 101
10,000 H.& St.J.8s,C.B. 94
100 West. U. Tel..... 68⅜
400 do.....bds. call. 68⅜
800 Pac.M.S.S.Co..b.c. 47⅜
1100 do.....c. 47⅜
300 do.....b3. 47⅜
210 Am. M. U. Ex.... 61
15 do.....c. 59⅛

FRIDAY, Dec. 8—P. M.

As the Treasury is unable to buy United States Five-twenties of any class at or under the price of Gold, to the extent desirable in liquidating the Public Debt by weekly purchases, the Secretary has called in for redemption (as will be seen by an official notice in another part of this paper) $20,000,000 of the Stock of 1862, known as part of the Second Series, which he will pay the Gold for, with accrued Interest, ninety days after this notice, to wit, *on the seventh of March*, 1872. The Coupon Bonds thus called for amount to $16,000,000, and the Registered Certificates to $4,000,000, numbered as follows:

Bonds of	$50,	Nos. 1 to 5,460.
Bonds of	100,	Nos. 1 to 13,063.
Bonds of	500,	Nos. 1 to 5,964.
Bonds of	1,000,	Nos. 1 to 11,120.
Certificates of	$50,	Nos. 596 to 697.
Certificates of	100,	Nos. 4,140 to 5,079.
Certificates of	500,	Nos. 1,920 to 2,183.
Certificates of	1,000,	Nos. 8,907 to 11,068.
Certificates of	5,000,	Nos. 2,086 to 3,402.
Certificates of	10,000,	Nos. 2,907 to 3,899.

The first effect of the foregoing announcement on the Gold market, this morning, was to induce large sales at 109⅛@109⅜ ₱ cent., but soon after the opening of business came the London reports of the critical condition of the Prince of WALES and the decline in the English Funds, which caused a reaction in Gold to 110@110⅛ ₱ cent. Later in the day the price settled at about 110 ₱ cent. Another influence operating on the demand for Gold is the circumstance that the Anglo-American and American Syndicates for the New Loan will soon be called up to replace the Gold in the Treasury now being disbursed in redemption of United States 5-20s of 1862. More than a sufficient sum of subscriptions to the New Loan were pledged to be paid exclusively in Gold to cover the probable advances of the Treasury, and this arrangement is now to be carried out, but at the easy convenience of the Syndicates, since the Treasury can well spare the Gold for the present. The amount which the Secretary promised to advance was $20,000,000, and this figure is not likely to be exceeded by the demands for Gold, for account of the 1862 redemptions, at Washington.

Exchange was inclined to stiffen on the London news of the apprehended death of the Prince of WALES, and up to 2 o'clock some of the Bankers were holding for an advance of ⅛@¼ ₱ cent., but after that hour the leading house, Messrs. BROWN, reduced their drawing rate to London to 109 ₱ cent., and the market for both Exchange and Gold was easier in supply and the price of Gold 110 ₱ cent.

At the Stock Exchange there was a strong market for the Public Funds, notwithstanding easier quotations, in sympathy with English Consols, came from London. The 5-20s of 1867 advanced to 114¾ ₱ cent. and most of the other 5-20s were firm in proportion. The demand was renewed for the long 6 ₱ cents of 1881, registered as well as coupons, and there was more business done in the New 5 ₱ cents. The 1862 Coupon 5-20s are in less request for Europe, owing to the further call for redemption, which renders this particular class of 5-20s undesirable for fixed investment. We believe it is the purpose of the Secretary of the Treasury to follow up the present call for $20,000,000 for redemption on the 7th of March, by successive calls, as his surplus means will authorize, after the New Year for redemption in April, May, &c., unless Gold should advance above the Currency price of 5-20s in the open market, in which case he could buy at the difference in place of redeeming at par in Gold.

In other departments of the Exchange there was more business than yesterday, and the prevailing temper of the Railroad speculation was *Bullish*, encouraged by the restoration of steadiness in Money at 6@7 ₱ cent. on call loan. There was also a strong demand for the Railway mortgages, extending over the list of old Western 7 ₱ cent. Currency interest mortgages, as well as the Pacifics. The Express Stocks advanced, especially the Adams Company, and Western Telegraph and Pacific Mail were firm. The Southern State Bonds were ⅛@1 ₱ cent. better on South Carolinas; not so strong on Tennessees, and steady on Virginias. In the Western Roads the heaviest transactions were in Lake Shore, which Stock leads the market and commands more general buying than any other Road. The very latest quotations, as compared with Thursday night, are given below.

Gold left off 110 ₱ cent. bid, and Exchange on London, 60 days, 109 ₱ cent. easy. The Treasury Office here paid another million of Gold today in redemption of 5-20s of 1862, making altogether $14,200,000 since Wednesday week. The 5-20s of 1867 left off firm at 114⅛@114¼ ₱ cent. The Coupon long 6 ₱ cents of 1881 were not offered under 118 ₱ cent. The old 5-20s of 1865 Coupons were wanted at 111⅛@111⅜ ₱ cent. The 1862s were 111@111⅛ ₱ cent. Money was generally quoted at 7 ₱ cent. at the close of Bank hours. The borrowers made good their wants today without much trouble.

CLOSING PRICES—DEC. 8.

	Thursday.	Friday.
United States 10-40s.....	109⅜	109⅜
United States 5-20s of 1862....	111	111
United States 5-20s of 1867....	114⅛	114⅛
American Gold.....	109⅜	110
Bills on London, 60 days.....	109	109

N. Y. C. and Hudson.....	92⅜		92⅛
N. Y. C. and Hud. Debt Ctfs..	87		87⅛
Reading.....	115		115⅛
Chicago and Rock Island.....	103⅜		103⅛
North-west Common.....	61⅜		61⅛
North-west Preferred.....	89½		90
Pacific Mail.....	47⅛		48⅛
St. Paul Preferred.....	77⅞		78½
St. Paul Common.....	54		54⅛
Ohio and Mississippi.....	42½		43⅛
Toledo and Wabash.....	63⅛		63⅜
Western Telegraph.....	68⅛		68⅛
Erie.....	31⅜		31⅝
Union Pacific.....	26⅜		27⅛
Lake Shore, Ex Scrip.....	89⅜		90⅛
Lake Shore Scrip.....	83⅛		83⅜

At the very close of business on Broadstreet, after the Boards broke up, the market left off strong.

UNITED STATES TREASURY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 8, 1871.

Gold receipts.....	$2,820,992 06
Gold payments.....	3,344,377 52
Gold balances.....	56,715,277 84
Currency receipts.....	1,380,442 15
Currency payments.....	201,421 65
Currency balance.....	8,936,384 39
Customs.....	493,000 00

The following prices for the various Public Funds of the United States were made at the close of business:

6 ₱ ct. reg., '81.....	114⅛	5-20 reg., '67.....	110⅜
6 ₱ ct. coup., '81.....	117⅜	5-20 coup. '67.....	114⅜
5-20 reg., '62.....	110⅜	5-20 reg., '68.....	110⅜
5-20 coup., '62.....	111	5-20 coup., '68.....	114⅜
5-20 rez., '64.....	110⅜	10-40 reg	109⅜
5-20 coup., '64.....	111⅛	10-40 coup.....	109⅜
5-20 reg., '65.....	110⅜	6s reg., '81.....	109⅜
5-20 coup., '65.....	111⅜	6s coup., '81.....	109⅜
5-20 reg., n. i., '65.....	110	6s currency.....	113⅜
5-20 coup., n. i., '65.....	113⅛		

The Southern State Bonds are quoted at the Stock Exchange, as follows:

Tenn. 6s, old.....	65	Mo. 6s.....	98
Tenn. 6s, new bonds..	65⅛	Mo. 6s, H. & St. J. 1s.	94⅛
Virginia 6s, old.....	63	La. 6s, Levee bonds..	63⅛
Va. 6s, new bonds.....	62⅜	La. 8s, L. bds., '75....	75
Va. 6s, reg., old.....	51	California 7s.....	111
Va. 6s, reg., '66.....	67	Connecticut 6s.....	101
Va. 6s, reg., '67.....	65	Rhode Island 6s.....	102
Va. 6s, Consol. bonds.	65⅛	Alabama 8s.....	90
Va. 6s, Deferred bds..	27⅛	Ark. 6s, Funded.....	50
N. C. 6s, old.....	34⅜	A. 7s, L.R.P.B. & N.O.	45
N. C. Fund. Act, '68..	21	Ark. 7s, M.O.& R.Riv.	44
S. C. 6s.....	42	Ark. 7s, Ark. Cen. R.	50
S. C., Jan. & July....	29⅜		

The last prices for the Miscellaneous Shares dealt in at the Stock Exchange were as follows:

Del. & Hudson Canal..	124	Quicksilver Min'g Pf.	29
Maryland Coal.....	22	Mariposa Mining.....	1
American Coal.....	40	Mariposa Mining Pf..	1⅜
Spring Mountain Coal.	85	Adams Express.....	89
Canton Co., Baltimore.	69	Wells-Fargo Express.	56⅛
Consol. Coal of Md....	41⅜	Amer. Mer. Un. Ex..	59⅜
Cumb. Coal & Iron...	40	United States Ex.....	59
Western Union Tel...	68⅛	Pacific Mail.....	48⅛
Quicksilver Mining...	24⅜		

PHILADELPHIA STOCKS—DEC. 8.

Telegraphed to Messrs. E. D. Randolph & Co.

	Bid.	Asked.
City 6s, Old.....		96⅛
City 6s, New.....		99
Camden and Amboy.....	135	136
Pennsylvania Central.....	58¼	58⅜
Reading.....	115	115⅜
Lehigh Valley.....	59⅞	60
Catawissa Preferred.....	44½	45
Philadelphia and Erie.....	25	
Northern Central.....	38⅜	38½
Lehigh Gold Loan.....	93½	93⅞

It is unofficially given out that the State Superintendent of Banking, Mr. HOWELL, has at length been moved to appoint a Commission to examine the Savings Banks of this City and Brooklyn. Their condition, now and for some time past, certainly demands thorough and candid investigation in the interest of the depositors, and for the common credit of the Savings Bank system throughout the country. It must be confessed that the original purposes of undoubted security and moderate but certain rates of accumulation by investment in the Public Funds of the United States, or, when not to be had, in securities of stable value as nearly approaching these Stocks as possible, have of late years been sadly departed from, and nowhere so recklessly as in New-York and Brooklyn, where the Tammany Administration of the City and County finances, and the boldest and most reckless speculators in Real Estate, have used the Savings Banks (many of them of their own creation, as it were, for the very purpose,) so extensively as to bring the entire system under suspicion. The practices in reference to what are called investments, though better deserving the name of speculations in Bonds and Mortgages and City and County Loans, both practically under Tammany rule, seem the less excusable because since ten years there has been no scarcity of the Public Stocks of the United States in the market, and no limit to the facility with which they could be bought for the investment of the savings of the people, or, on any emergency happening to the Savings Bank, sold in the open market without sacrifice. And not half so much can now be said for the Bonds and Mortgages pushing for negotiation, and not one-tenth so much can be pretended for the prompt disposition, in the event of a crisis, of the Stocks and loans upon Stocks, other than United States, held in these Banks. It is to be hoped that the results of the investigations of the Commission will be punctually given to the public. Such was not the case in a recent investigation of a particular Bank, ordered by Mr. HOWELL, the outcome of which was not entire solvency.

The General Superintendent of the Union Pacific Road telegraphs from Omaha that the trains are delayed, (about fifty hours,) but not blocked by the snows in the mountains, and with the exception of a single day, at the height of the recent storm, trains have been dispatched regularly, and the trains from the West received.

Mr. W. R. UTLEY, formerly of UTLEY & DOUGHERTY, Wall-street, has joined Mr. EDWIN E. BOWEN in the business of the Stock Exchange and in private banking, at No. 4 Wall-street, under the style of Messrs. UTLEY & BOWEN.

The earnings of the Lake Superior and Mississippi Railroad for the week ending 23d ult., were $12,054, including $9,161 08 from freight.

The week's imports of Foreign Dry Goods have been to the specie value of $1,053,366; amount marketed, $1,096,676.

BANKING AND FINANCIAL.

BANKING-HOUSE OF JAY COOKE & CO.,

NEW-YORK, Dec. 8, 1871.

The Secretary of the Treasury, in continuance of his past policy, has today issued a notice calling in for redemption $20,000,000 additional of the 5-20s of 1862.

The fact is generally admitted that the funding of ALL the 5-20s into bonds bearing a LOWER RATE OF INTEREST is only a question of time, and the public will therefore recognize the importance of IMMEDIATE EXCHANGE of 5-2's at their present premium into other securities ENTIRELY SAFE, and yielding a LARGER INCOME. We offer to holders of 5-20s in exchange, and unhesitatingly recommend, the FIRST MORTGAGE LAND GRANT 7-30 GOLD BONDS OF THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY.

JAY COOKE & CO.,

New-York, Philadelphia and Washington

EIGHT PER CENT. FIRST MORTGAGE GOLD BONDS OF THE MOBILE AND MONTGOMERY RAILROAD COMPANY, INDORSED BY ALABAMA, $13,000 A MILE ON A COMPLETED ROAD. PARTICULARS ON APPLICATION. FOR SALE AT NINETY-FIVE AND ACCRUED INTEREST BY

SOUTTER & CO.,
NO. 53 WILLIAM-ST.

AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Linseed Association, held at Delmonico's, the following gentlemen were re-elected: President, Thomas Rowe; Secretary and Treasurer, John D. Wood; Executive Committee, Wm. R. Kirkland, R. W. Weston, Geo. A. Thayer, Edward Austen, John D. Wood, H. H. Crocker.

BURLINGTON, CEDAR RAPIDS AND Minnesota Seven per Cent. Gold Sinking Fund Bonds for sale at 90 and interest by HENRY CLEWS & CO., No. 32 Wall-st., New-York.

BANKING AND FINANCIAL.

ST. JOSEPH AND DENVER CITY RAILROAD COMPANY'S FIRST MORTGAGE SINKING FUND LAND GRANT BONDS,

BEARING EIGHT PER CENT. (8 p. c.) INTEREST, PAYABLE IN GOLD, FREE OF TAX,

AND IN DENOMINATIONS of $1,000, $500 AND $100, can be obtained from the undersigned, or through the principal banks and bankers throughout the United States.

The attractive features of these Securities are recognized in the fact that, although they have been but a short time on the market, they are nearly all absorbed, and but a small amount are now for sale.

They combine a perfect security with a liberal rate of interest. This interest account is made light for, and easily borne by, the Company through the operation of the Sinking Fund created from sales of the Company's land, which in many cases draw interest at the rate of ten (10) per cent. per annum. The security behind them is ample in every particular, as they constitute a first and only mortgage on a trunk line of railroad which will soon connect the City of St. Joseph, Mo., (an important railway centre,) with the Union Pacific Railroad at Fort Kearney, materially shortening the distance between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. In addition to this, the bonds have further security in the fact that there is included in the Mortgage the Company's magnificent Lands, amounting to 1,500,000 acres, known to be among the best in the United States. The Mortgage Indenture prohibits the sale of these Lands at less than Four (4) Dollars per acre, and payable to the Trustees under the Mortgage, for the clear and express purpose of retiring these Bonds. The amount thus realized exceeds the entire amount of Bonds which can be issued, and leaves the road, property and franchises free.

The Bonds have thirty years to run, with interest at Eight per Cent., free of tax, payable February and August in each year.

Both principal and interest are payable in gold.

The principal in New-York. The interest in either New-York, London or Frankfort-on-the-Main, at the option of the holder, without notice, and in the gold currency of the country in which they are presented. They are coupons or registered.

Trustees—Farmers' Loan and Trust Company.

The present price of these Bonds is 97½ and accrued interest in *currency*, from Aug. 15, 1871. But they are receivable at par and accrued interest in payment for lands sold by the Company. The right is reserved to advance the present selling price without notice.

Maps, circulars, documents and full information furnished on application.

Though acting as agents for the sale of this loan, our firm buy and sell in their regular business the bonds of the St. Joseph and Denver City Railroad Company, those of the Eastern Division eight per cent., (8s.,) recently placed by us at 97½, being now quoted at from 101½ to 102½ and accrued interest.

TANNER & CO.,
Bankers. No. 11 Wall-st.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—FLOUR in good demand on Southern account; all grades firm. WHEAT in fair demand; advanced; No. 1 Spring, $1 26; No. 2 do., $1 20⅜; No. 3 do., scarce, $1 12; Rejected wanted at $1 06½; No. 2 do., seller December, $1 20@$1 20⅜; seller last half of month, $1 20@$1 20⅞; seller January, $1 20⅜@$1 21⅛. CORN active and higher; No. 2 Mixed, 42⅛c.; Rejected, 39½c.@40c.; ear, 43c.; Mixed, seller December, 41⅜c.@42c.; seller January, 42¾c.@42⅞c.; seller February, 45¼c.@45½c.; seller May, 48⅛c.@48½c., closing at the outside price. OATS firm; No. 2, 33c., cash and seller during month; seller January, 33⅜c.@33½c. RYE in fair demand; advanced; No. 2, 62¼c.@63c. BARLEY quiet and weak; No. 2 Spring, 62½c.; No. 3 do., 55c.; Rejected, 47½c.; No. 2, seller January, 63¼c.@63¾c. PORK in good demand; a shade higher; $13@$13 05; seller January, $13 20@$13 30; seller February, $13 55@$13 65; seller March, $13 85@$13 90. LARD firm; 8¼c.; seller January, 8¼c.; seller February, 8¾c.@9c.; seller March, 9c.@9¼c. Green MEATS in good request and firm; Hams, 6¼c. @7¾c.; Shoulders, 4¾c.; Rough Sides, 6¼c.; Short Rib and Long Clear Sides, 7½c.@8c. Dry-salted MEATS unchanged. Live Hogs active and higher, $3 95@$4 30; bulk of sales at $4 05@$4 15. Dressed Hogs active and higher, $4 85@$4 90. BEEF unchanged. WHISKY in fair demand, 92c. RECEIPTS—16,000 bbls. Flour, 20,000 bushels Wheat, 110,000 bushels Corn, 17,000 bushels Oats, 2,000 bushels Rye, 19,000 bushels Barley and 30,000 Hogs. SHIPMENTS—2,000 bbls. Flour, 2,000 bushels Wheat, 5,000 bushels Corn, 3,000 bushels Oats, 3,000 bushels Barley, 9,000 bushels Rye and 6,000 Hogs.

BUFFALO, Dec. 8.—SHIPMENTS by Rail—Corn, 20,000 bushels; Barley, 5,000 bushels. FLOUR steady; small home trade. WHEAT entirely neglected. CORN dull; sales, 3,000 bushels at 60c. in car-lots. OATS offered at 45c. for No. 2 Western. RYE neglected and dull, without change in quotations. BARLEY quiet and LARD unchanged. HIGHWINES selling in 5-bbl. lots at $1, or 98c. wholesale. CATTLE—Receipts 918 head, making the supply 6,300 head, an increase of 2,300 head over the same time last week. Market closed active, firm and unchanged; sales 24 Indiana Steers, averaging 1,200 lbs., at $4 80; 76 Texas Steers, averaging 976 lbs., at $3 50; 112 Ohio, 1,216 to 1,500 lbs., at $4 @$4 30; 52 Illinois, 1,128 lbs., at $4 15; 1,416 lbs., at $4 @$4 25; 88 do., premium, averaging 1,525 lbs., at $6 45. SHEEP—Receipts, 700 head; market closed firm and steady; sales at $5@$5 50 for fair to good Ohios, averaging 87 to 95 lbs. HOGS—Receipts, 3,800 head; market quiet; trade slow; sales of 2,600 head at $4 30@$4 50 for Medium to Good.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 8.—FLOUR quiet, but firm and unchanged. WHEAT firm; buyers off; No. 2 Spring, $1 32½; No. 3 Red Fall, $1 15; held higher. CORN easier; Mixed, on track, 44c.@44½c. OATS dull; small sales Mixed, on track, 34c.@35c. BARLEY unchanged. RYE firm; No. 2, 75c. WHISKY, 89½c.@90c. PORK unchanged; order lots, $13@$13 25. Dry-salted MEATS—Jobbing and order lots, loose Shoulders, 4¾c. Clear Rib Sides, 6c.; Clear Sides, 6½c. BACON—Jobbing and order lots; Shoulders, 6¼c.@6¾c.; Clear Rib Sides, 7¾c.@7¼c.; Clear Sides, 7¾c. LARD—Business small; quotations higher; choice Kettle, 8½c. Live Hogs dull and declining; sales at $3 80@$4 15, mostly at $4 @$4 10. CATTLE dull at $3@$4 50. RECEIPTS—4,000 bbls. Flour, 7,000 bushels Wheat, 22,000 bushels Corn, 7,000 bushels Oats, 1,000 bushels Barley, 1,000 bushels Rye, 8,500 Hogs.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 8.—FLOUR firm and in fair demand; Family, $6 25@$6 90. WHEAT firmer and higher; scarce, $1 46@$1 48. CORN firm at 46c.@47c. RYE unchanged and quiet, 78c.@80c. PORK—Demand light; holders firm; futures in demand, seller January, $13 50; seller February, $13 75; offerings light. LARD—Demand light; holders firm; Steam, 8¾c.; Kettle, 9c. Bulk MEATS firm; Shoulders, 5c.@5¼c.; Clear Rib Sides, 6c.@6¼c.; Clear Sides, 6¾c.@6¾c.; outside rates for fully cured; sales of Clear Rib Sides at 6¾c., seller February; Shoulders dull and unchanged; Sides, 7c.; Clear Sides, 7¾c. Live HOGS firm, $4 35@$4 50; receipts, 11,000. Green MEATS steady; sales at 4¾c.@ 5¾c. WHISKY excited; prices higher; sales at 92c.; closing at 93c.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 8.—WHEAT and RYE entirely neglected. CORN quiet; Western Mixed firmly held at 80c. BARLEY without change; sales, 4 cars No. 2 two-rowed at 80c. OATS steady; sales, 1,200 bushels State Bagged at 53½c.@54c., and 1 car do. at Susquehanna depot at 54c. CATTLE opened buoyant, but not active; receipts, 22 cars; prices ranged from 4¼c.@7¼c., with a moderate supply. SHEEP advanced ¼c.@1c; quality fair. LAMBS quite scarce, and advanced ¼c.@1c.; coarse wool Sheep, 6¾c.@7c.; fine wool, 5¾c.@6c.; Lambs, 7c.@7¾c. HOGS excited, and ¼c. higher; Western, $5@$5 10; State, $4 75 for heavy and medium weights.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 8.—TOBACCO steady and unchanged. BAGGING dull and nominal. FLOUR firm; Family Extras, $6 25. WHEAT quiet but firm; Choice Red sales, 95c. to make fast to the 100. CORN firmer; Ear, shelled, in bulk, on arrival, 50c.@52c. OATS active and firm; Bulk, 42c.@45c. RYE steady; sales at 70c. @75c. Live HOGS dull; sales at $4 @$4 50. PROVISIONS firm. BACON—Sides scarce; held at 8c. Bulk MEATS active; Shoulders, 6¼c.; Clear Rib Sides, 7¾c.; Clear Sides, 8¼c. Sugar-cured HAMS, 14½c. LARD, 9c.@ 10¼c. PORK, $13 50@$14. WHISKY firm at 90c.

TOLEDO, Ohio, Dec. 8.—FLOUR steady. WHEAT steady; No. 1 White Wabash, $1 53; No. 2 do., $1 45; Amber Michigan, $1 41@$1 43; No. 1 Red, $1 40; No. 2 Red, $1 34. CORN dull and unchanged; High Mixed, 49c.; Low Mixed, 48c. OATS a shade better; No. 1, 41c.; No. 2, 39¼c.; Michigan, 40. CLOVER-SEED steady, $6 40. Live HOGS steady, $3@$5 10. RECEIPTS—3,000 bushels Wheat, 20,000 bushels Corn, 3,000 bushels Oats. SHIPMENTS—1,000 bbls. Flour, 3,000 bushels Corn, 1,000 bushels Wheat.

NEW-ORLEANS, Dec. 8.—COTTON steady; Middling, 18¾c.@19c.; net receipts, 114 bales; gross, 7,055 bales; exports to Havre, 5,254 bales; coastwise, 1,117 bales; sales, 4,500 bales; stock, 155,465 bales; net receipts of the week, 35,445 bales; gross, 41,895 bales; exports to Great Britain, 11,957 bales; to Havre, 5,288 bales; coastwise, 6,515 bales; sales of the week, 33,000 bales.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 8.—COTTON steady; Middling, 18¾c.@19c.; net receipts, 1,833 bales; gross, 1,835 bales; exports to Great Britain, 1,068 bales; coastwise, 2,153 bales; sales, 500 bales; stock, 33,079 bales; net receipts of the week, 12,951 bales; gross, 12,953 bales; exports to Great Britain, 3,018 bales; to the Continent, 7,692 bales; sales of the week, 6,500 bales.

MOBILE, Dec. 8.—COTTON dull and easier; Middling, 18¼c.; net receipts, 1,994 bales; exports, coastwise, 1,643 bales; sales, 500 bales; stock, 37,583 bales; net receipts of the week, 12,563 bales; exports to Great Britain, 506 bales; to Rotterdam, 525 bales; coastwise, 7,387 bales; sales of the week, 13,700 bales.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 8.—FLOUR unchanged. WHEAT—Demand light; holders firm; No. 1, @1 23⅛; No. 2, @1 21¾. OATS firm; No. 2, 34½c. CORN firm; No. 2 Mixed, 42¼c. RYE in fair demand and advanced; No. 1, 64½c. BARLEY dull and a shade lower; No. 2 Fall, 63½c. Live HOGS dull and drooping at $3 80@$4. RECEIPTS—2,000 bbls. Flour. SHIPMENTS—Light.

DETROIT, Dec. 8.—WHEAT steady; Extra $1 50¼@$1 51; No. 1 White, $1 43; Treadwell, $1 45; Amber Michigan, $1 42. CORN steady; Yellow, 54c.; Mixed, 52c.@53c. OATS in good demand; White, 41c.; Mixed, 40c. CLOVER-SEED, $6 35. Dressed HOGS, $5@$5 25.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 8.—WHEAT held firmer; No. 1 Red Winter, $1 43 bid, $1 44 asked; No. 2 do., $1 35@ $1 38. CORN in No. 1 demand; New, 55c.; Old, 56c. OATS firm; advanced 1c.; 41c. PETROLEUM steady and unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 8.—COTTON firm; Middling, 18¾c.; net receipts, 2,677 bales; exports, to Great Britain, 2,500 bales; coastwise, 504 bales; sales, 1,600 bales; stock, 85,178 bales; net receipts of the week, 18,633 bales; exports, to Great Britain, 8,671 bales; to the Continent, 7,148 bales; coastwise, 2,629 bales; sales of the week, 13,200 bales.

GALVESTON, Dec. 8.—COTTON quiet, but firm; Good Ordinary, 18¾c.; net receipts, 1,286 bales; sales, 550 bales; stock, 82,715 bales; net receipts of the week, 7,251 bales; exports to Great Britain, 3,032 bales; coastwise, 1,810 bales; sales of the week, 5,600 bales.

NASHVILLE, Dec. 8.—COTTON quiet; Middling, 17½c.@17¾c.; receipts, 2,502 bales; shipments, 2,502 bales; stock, 1870, 3,270 bales; 1871, 1,377 bales.

MONTGOMERY, Dec. 8.—COTTON—Receipts, 2,510 bales; shipments, 1,550 bales; stock, 1870, 10,945 bales; 1871, 9,990 bales.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Dec. 8—11½ A. M.—Unfavorable news with regard to the condition of the Prince of WALES has a depressing influence on the markets. Consols opened at 92 for money, and 92⅛ for the account. United States 5-20 Bonds, 1862s, 92⅛; 1865s, old, 93; 1867s, 93⅛; 10-40s, 90¾.

1¼ P. M.—Consols for money at 91⅞; for the account, 92. United States 5-20 Bonds, 92¼ for the issue of 1862, and 92¼ for the old issue of 1865. American Securities are flat.

3 P. M.—Consols opened at 91⅞ for money and 91⅞ for the account. United States 5-20 Bonds, 1862s, 92⅛; 1865s, old, 93; 1867s, 95½; 10-40s, 90¾.

PARIS, Dec. 8.—The bullion in the Bank of France has increased 1,000,000f. during the week. Rentes, 66f. 75c.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 8—10½ A. M.—COTTON—The market opened strong. Middling Uplands, 9¾d.; Middling Orleans, 10d.@10¼d. The sales of the day are estimated at 15,000 bales. The sales of the week have been 115,000 bales, including 20,000 bales for export and 19,000 bales on speculation. The stock in port is 445,000 bales, of which 41,000 bales are American. The receipts for the week have been 49,000 bales, including 21,000 bales American. Actual export, 14 000 bales.

1¼ P. M.—BREADSTUFFS—The market is quiet. The receipts of Wheat at this port for the past three days have been 12,500 quarters, of which 5,000 were American.

2 P.M.—COTTON—The market is firm. The sales of the day are still estimated at 15,000 bales, including 6,000 for speculation and export. Sales on ship named at New-Orleans have been made at 9¾d.@10d., and at Savannah or Charleston at 9¼d. The stock of Cotton at sea bound to this port is 422,000 bales, including 174,000 American.

5 P. M.—COTTON—The market closed firm. Middling Uplands, 9¾d.; Middling Orleans, 10d.@10¼d. The sales of the day have been 15,000 bales, including 5,000 bales for export and speculation. The advices from Manchester are more favorable, but do not affect the market. PROVISIONS—Cheese, 62s. ₱ cwt. for the best grades of American fine. PRODUCE—Refined Petroleum, 17½d. ₱ gallon.

Evening.—CLOVER-SEED, 57s. 6d@58s. ₱ cwt. for American Red. Fine RESIN, 26s. ₱ cwt.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—SUGAR, 30s. 9d.@31s. ₱ cwt. for No. 12 Dutch Standard, afloat.

Evening.—Calcutta LINSEED, 62s. 6d. SPERM-OIL, £90@£91 ₱ ton.

MURDER IN THE COAL REGIONS.

The Foreman of the Mines at Summit Hill Shot in the Streets—Arrest of Two Suspected Men.

From the Mauch Chunk (Pa.) Coal Gazette, Dec. 8.

The usually quiet mining town of Summit Hill was thrown into excitement, on last Saturday evening, by the discovery that a cowardly murder had been committed within its borders. Summit Hill is a large mining town, nine miles from Mauch Chunk. It is the head-quarters of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company, that corporation having ten mines in the vicinity. It is the only town upon the famous Switch-Back Railroad, and, as its name indicates, is situated upon the top of the mountain.

The victim is MORGAN POWELL, the foreman of W. D. ZEHNER, Esq., mining engineer. Mr. POWELL had been a very long time in the employ of the Company. He was considered a most valuable man, as he had a perfect knowledge of all the mines. He had risen from a common laborer to one of the first positions. For several years he was a miner and daily worked in his vineyard, but some time ago he was appointed inside boss at No. 2 Mine. He held this post until Mr. ZEHNER was appointed engineer, when he became his foreman. He was always a sober and industrious man, who had the respect of the community.

On Saturday evening, after supper, Mr. POWELL walked over to HENRY WILLIAMSON's store, a short distance from his residence. After conversing in the store a few minutes he left, intending to go to the Company's office to meet an engagement with Mr. ZEHNER. He had gone out a few feet when three men appeared behind him. One of the men held in his hand a loaded pistol. Without a word the cowardly villain held the pistol downward over POWELL's shoulder and fired. The ball entered on the left breast, taking a downward course, through the fifth rib, and striking the spine, the lower part of the wounded man's body was at once paralyzed. He fell to the ground with a piercing cry, which brought SAMUEL ALLEN to the scene. Mr. ZEHNER was soon at the side of his foreman, and did all in his power to alleviate his sufferings. Dr. THOMPSON was called, and his examination of the wound resulted in the discovery that it was fatal.

The murderers ran away immediately after the shot, in the direction of No. 1 Plane. A man saw them a moment afterward, but he failed to recognize any of them. It is rumored that the assassins were seen making their way to Tamaqua some time late on Saturday night.

Why anybody should kill MORGAN POWELL is a mystery. He was at peace with his neighbors and with the miners generally. There has for a long time been a spirit of jealousy existing between the Irish and Welsh at Summit Hill, and this is thought by many people to have prompted the deed.

Mr. POWELL made a dying statement before a Justice of the Peace. Owing to the extreme darkness, he was not able to recognize the men who assaulted him. He was of the opinion, however, that PATRICK BRISLIN and PATRICK GILDAY were in the party. These two were arrested and lodged in jail on Monday. The main evidence against them is POWELL's statement, and this is not at all positive. They will be brought before the court next week. The prisoners, PATRICK GILDAY and PATRICK BRISLIN, are confident of proving an alibi. The Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company have offered $1,000, and the County Commissioners will probably offer $500 reward for the arrest and conviction of the murderers.

Thanksgiving Day on a Wreck.

From Capt. LAUGHTON, of the dismantled schooner *M. J. Laughton*, which was towed into Fall River, Mass., on Tuesday,

The New York Times.

NEW-YORK, SATURDAY, DEC. 9, 1871.

Amusements This Evening.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—Matinée at 1½ o'clock—Fra Diavolo—Mlle. Duval.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—The Jealous Wife—Matinée at 1½ o'clock—Rosedale.

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The President and Amnesty.

Congress cannot do better than to immediately embody in law the suggestion of President GRANT regarding amnesty. It would, in doing so, only respond to the general feeling of the country; it would carry out the policy already indorsed by the House of Representatives; and it would remove from the Republican scheme of reconstruction not only the single serious objection that can be honestly brought against it, but the only obstacle to its success that can be reached by legislation. It is now generally conceded that that policy was in its main features the only one which could have been adopted. It was absolutely necessary to introduce into the government of the Southern States, as a preponderating force, that element of their population which had been steadily, and without exception, loyal in sentiment and action. The sense of justice of the country also strongly sustained this measure. It was fully argued, and received the final sanction of the people through the peculiarly solemn form of a constitutional amendment. And, although some observers, more cautious or clear-sighted than the mass, urged that, in giving suffrage to the negroes, some conditions should be attached to its exercise, that view obtained but slight attention from the people generally. The great body of public opinion compelled the admission of the negroes to the suffrage, and with it the exclusion of prominent rebels from power. This was the only course the country would even consider, and it was adopted.

But now that the heat of feeling has subsided, it is seen that whatever was the justice or necessity of giving the freedmen the suffrage, the exclusion of prominent Southerners from office has worked badly. It has irritated and not restrained. It has placed beyond the reach of the Southern people the most natural remedy for local misgovernment, by forbidding them to employ, in the work of Government, the men best fitted by training and position to perform it economically and efficiently, and at the same time most interested in having it so performed. Gen. GRANT puts the case very clearly when he says:

"When the purity of the ballot is secure, majorities are sure to elect officers reflecting the views of the majority. I do not see the advantage or propriety of excluding men from office merely because they were, before the rebellion, of standing and character sufficient to be elected to positions requiring them to take an oath to support the Constitution; and admitting the eligibility of those entertaining precisely the same views, but of less standing in their communities."

There is, moreover, this to be said in favor of removing those disabilities which experience has proved it was a mistake to impose. The men who will be thus readmitted to political life will have to act in the consciousness that the essential results of the war cannot be reversed or modified in the slightest degree by anything Southern State Governments can do. The most prominent and influential men of the South recognize this fact. If every Southern State had uncompromising secessionists in every branch, they would not dare to meddle with the civil or political equality of the negro, nor with the rebel debt, nor with the federal relations of the States. They realize more thoroughly, if anything, than the North itself realizes, the utter irrevocableness of the decision by war to which these questions have been referred. They would, therefore, turn their entire attention to the work of honest and effective government, to the maintenance of order, the restoration of State credit, and the promotion of local industry and commerce. And that the influential men of the South should do this, and should do it in a way that will insure success, is the only thing necessary to complete the restoration of the Southern States to the Union, in complete harmony with the principles of liberty and equality established by the war, and embodied in the policy of reconstruction. The need of the South is not greater than that of the North for the prevalence of order, accompanied by the complete recognition of these principles.

M. Thiers and the Pope.

"Interviewing" goes on briskly at Versailles, and even the most august personages of the Government are not exempt from it. In fact, since NAPOLEON III. has been so thoroughly put through his paces at Chislehurst, and the Count DE CHAMBORD has been likewise dealt with by M. VILLEMESSANT, the editor of *Figaro*, at Lucerne, there seems good precedent for "interviewing" M. THIERS himself at Versailles. Such, in any case, is the opinion of the editor of the *Journal des Débats*, who has been helping M. THIERS to spike the Ultramontane guns of the Empress EUGENIE. It will interest all good Catholics to know, on this authority, that the French President has given to the Comte D'HARCOURT, his Minister at the Vatican, certain very explicit instructions. If the Pope desires to take refuge, or find an asylum, in France, "he will be received with most respectful solicitude." M. THIERS does not wish to be misunderstood in the premises. He expresses no wish, no opinion, no expectation relative to the decision the Pope may arrive at. "God will enlighten his Vicar," says the politic M. THIERS, "by the voice of events."

This scarcely comports with the famous dogma which affirms positive accuracy of decision through internal, and not external, prompting. However, the President is at work for the time on politics, not theology, and he thanks Heaven, despite the equivocal character of his invitation, that France is still independent enough within and without "to procure independence for the Pope by hospitality." This somewhat ambiguous declaration is coupled with another, namely, that the Holy Father, if he comes to France, will be "free—free from all obligation toward us; free to that point that he may even cause us some slight ecclesiastical annoyances more easily than at the Vatican." To this agreeable and inviting statement another is tacked, to the effect that "the good Pope" is not to believe that the "hospitality which we do not offer, but which we shall fully extend, if he asks for it, will compel us to make the least display of force without or within." All this may be variously construed, but it seems, on the whole, fairly to imply that M. THIERS is anxious to get all the credit that can be got out of appearing to treat PIUS IX. with respectful cordiality, without embroiling the Republican Government by directly inviting him, and without sharing the responsibility should any trouble arise from his visit.

It is probable, after all said and done, that PIUS IX. will go to France, and stay there for an indefinite time. A frigate flying the tricolor awaits him at Civita Vecchia, and a home is offered him at the Chateau of Pau, "the chateau," as M. THIERS piously says, "of the great King who became a Catholic." Avignon was first thought of as a papal residence, but the idea was given up on the ground that "monuments preserve recollections longer than inhabitants." On the whole, so far as we may trust the "interviewer" of the *Journal des Débats*, the mind of M. THIERS is very nicely balanced just now between piety, diplomacy, and epigram. Perhaps he is getting ready to resume his historical studies, and the political atmosphere that surrounds him is by no means without signs that he may soon have the opportunity. Meanwhile, united Italy would much rather see the Holy Father at Pau than at the Vatican, unless he will assent to conditions that the Holy See has ever persistently held to be inadmissible.

Hunting for Stolen Money.

TWEED and his gang doubtless think it a very sharp trick to set their poor deluded victims, the laborers, to hound the footsteps of Controller GREEN, and demand of him their pay, when they know that the money which ought to be in the City Treasury to pay them has been stolen, and is now in their own pockets. How they must laugh in their sleeves, while carousing over their punch-bowls, to see the half-starved working men marching in procession to vent their disappointment on ANDREW H. GREEN. But the laborers are by no means fools, and the vengeance that TWEED is doing his utmost to encourage against an innocent man may yet be turned upon his own head. As for Controller GREEN, the laborers should understand, and many of them do understand, that he is utterly powerless to pay them, for the simple reason that there is no money in the Treasury to pay them with. If he was possessed of half the wealth of TWEED, he might, and doubtless would, pay them out of his own pocket, and take the chances of getting reimbursed by the City; but Mr. GREEN is a poor man. All the property he has in the world does not amount to a tithe of what TWEED and his gang have stolen from the City during the past year. The laborers have earned their money, doubtless, and ought to be paid; but whose fault is it that they cannot be paid?

Let them ask TWEED and SWEENY and HALL what has become of the money that was raised to pay them for their labor. Not only have those men stolen the laborers' money, but they have robbed the orphan children of the fund awarded to them by the Legislature. Over $30,000 is now due to the Children's Aid Society—one of the most beneficent and wisely directed charities in this City. Not a cent can the managers get, although the money has been raised and paid into the Treasury, if indeed, it was not stolen before it reached the Treasury. It certainly was not there when Mr. GREEN took possession of the Controller's office, and he has no authority to raise it a second time. We understand that threats of personal violence have been made against Mr. GREEN, by some inconsiderate working men—probably at the instigation of the thieves who have stolen the money for want of which the laborers are now suffering. Let the men beware how they listen to the counsels of these desperate thieves. The next time they visit the Controller's office let them ask TWEED to accompany them, and point out where the money is with which Mr. GREEN is to meet their demands. TWEED was in the Legislature, and framed the statutes which govern the Controller's office, and he will, perhaps, be able to show Mr. GREEN how he can raise money to replenish the Treasury that has been rifled by the Ring.

A Marine Reformatory.

It is pleasant, amid the corrupt jobs and useless work of the various departments of the recent City Government, to notice one piece of work faithfully and carefully done.

We allude to that experiment in reformatory treatment by the Board of Charities called the "School-ship" Reformatory. For the past few years the Board of Charities and Correction have had on their hands considerable numbers of wild, reckless and semi-criminal lads, who were either consigned to them by the Courts, or sent to them by parents unable to control their children. In former years, the Board made the best possible disposition of the orphans among these, or of the more controllable portion, by placing them, through the machinery of the Children's Aid Society, on farms in the West. Through this simple process, these unfortunate children were at once put in the best portion of the Union, at the most healthful occupation, and with the brightest possible prospects before them,—all this being accomplished without any expense at all to the Board. Gradually, however, as Tammany arose in power, the influence of the Roman Catholics increased in all our City Departments, and, at length, under their impulse, this benevolent and practical method of relief was abandoned, under the fear that the children thus placed might become Protestants.

To meet the increasing pressure of destitute children thrust upon their hands, the Board founded industrial schools upon Hart's Island; but these not proving sufficient, the former President and most active member of the Board, (now put in a subordinate position by Tammany's influence,) Gen. BOWEN, suggested a reformatory branch, an experiment which has since proved remarkably successful, and among the multitude of wild, adventurous boys in such an institution there are always a number better fitted for the active and perilous life on the sea than for any occupation on shore. The bustle and incessant duty on ship, the occasional hard work and adventure, gave play to their physical forces in a harmless and useful way. They enjoy the variety of a voyage, they learn every day the practical science of seamanship, and fit themselves for a profession which now has few apprentices training for it. Gen. BOWEN had wisely looked at the great defect of our merchant marine, that of well-trained native sailors, and the increasing difficulty of procuring good sailors for our national vessels. He saw that the British Government was compelled to resort mainly to school-ships to man its vessels of war, and he hoped, by a good system of naval training, to begin the remedy of both defects, and at the same time to save these active lads to society. Massachusetts had indeed tried a similar experiment, and not with crowning success.

But it is believed that the difficulty there was in making the school-ship too much a kind of private yachting vessel of the Commissioners, and in not putting the lads under a sufficiently strict discipline, and trusting to them for long voyages. That the New-York experiment was a success, in a naval point of view, is sufficiently proved by a pamphlet just issued by the Commission, giving an account of a cruise of some three months of their school-ship *Mercury*, last Winter, to the coast of Africa. Through all this long cruise some 250 boys managed this large vessel, carried her safely through storms and calm, with but one accident and no death from disease, and at the same time were able to execute a series of valuable scientific soundings and dredgings of the ocean bottom under the tropics. This pamphlet contains the results of the investigations, which have been forwarded to Dr. CARPENTER, who has supervised similar valuable researches in the North Atlantic by the British Government. They have been a most useful confirmation to him of his great theories of a bottom current from the Arctic Sea to the Equator of cold water, and a return surface current of warm water, beside aiding in the knowledge of the forms of life on the ocean's bottom in the tropics. Thus have our New-York gamins aided in the tropical seas the progress of science, and at the same time been cured of their vagabond habits, and prepared for a most useful but neglected profession.

Twelve of the school-ship graduates have already entered the navy, and others the merchant service. No doubt, an act can yet be obtained from Congress—when once Tammany ceases to rule the Commission—giving the Commissioners power to transfer boys who have been trained in the school-ship, and are of good moral character, directly to the naval service. At present, so much is left to the discretion of the naval subordinates in this port, in this matter, that but few are thus transferred. The experience of the British Government proves how soon our own Government will have to look to school-ships for supplies of men. It is well known that under the power of Tammany, the whole moral instruction on board the ship has been given up to Roman Catholic priests, or to those professing their faith. This ought to be remedied, and, if necessary, the religious teaching shared by each Church. We trust that under the new form which may be given to the Board of Charities by the coming Legislature, Gen. BOWEN may recover the position of which Tammany deprived him, and that this experiment may be continued.

Civil Service in England.

Now that civil service reform is being so thoroughly discussed, a glance at the civil service of Great Britain may not be without interest.

It has been only within the last thirty years that the English civil service has assumed the position which it now occupies. Down to 1845, examinations for admission to its ranks were unknown. Its appointments were the absolute patronage of the several heads of departments, and questions as to competency were never raised.

The first great reformer in this direction was the Sir Gregory Hardlines of Mr. TROLLOPE'S novels, Sir CHARLES TREVELYAN; and great was the indignation in aristocratic departments, notably that of Foreign Affairs, when the energetic knight wanted to know what the elegant young bloods of Downing-street did in return for the pay derived from the British tax-payers. When the ball of civil service reform had once been set rolling, it received impetus from various quarters. CHARLES DICKENS saw that there were even more important officials than Mr. BUMBLE whom he might successfully tackle, and no doubt his "circumlocution office" allusions assisted to effect a very salutary change.

In one respect, however, the system of the British civil service had, with all its faults, been superior to ours. It was not used in anything like the same degree for purposes of political partisanship. The men appointed by the Whigs were no doubt as a rule the friends of the Whigs, but they remained in office when once appointed, irrespective of any change of Government. Consequently the work was as a whole, notwithstanding the inferiority of the agents in many cases, well done, for most of the work done in Government departments is routine, and persons of very average capacity can usually, after a time, master details sufficiently to perform it fairly.

The change effected some twenty years ago by civil service reformers was sweeping, but still not so sweeping as many of them desired. It did not deprive the dispensers of patronage of offices in their gifts, but it compelled them to appoint reasonably competent persons. A commission was established called the Civil Service Commission, with a regular staff of officers, and it was ordained that every man, with certain rare exceptions, entering the public service, must pass through the Commissioners' hands. But the subjects and standard of proficiency were left to be imposed by the heads of departments, with the exception that every candidate was required to pass in writing, spelling, and the first four rules of arithmetic.

The examinations are consequently different in nearly every department of the service, accordingly as they have been arranged by the heads of them. In some they are competitive, a great many candidates being appointed to compete; in others, as in the Foreign Office, competitive among three for four; in others, again, there are only pass examinations, and the heads of such departments have steadily refused to make any alteration in this respect. A notable instance of this occurred in the case of the late eminent Judge of the Court of Probate, Sir CRESSWELL CRESSWELL, whose patronage was the best in England. He would only consent to pass examinations, and to subjects of the least advanced order. Not that he was in the least addicted to nepotism, but he did not believe that it in the least followed that competency in linguistics or "ologies" would produce a competent clerk.

It must be confessed that subsequent experience in several departments has confirmed the great lawyer's views. Many young men, who graduated in honors at the universities, have found themselves inferior in mere clerical duties to those having no great advantages of education. Almost every clerk on the regular staff of an English public office is in fact appointed for life. Indeed, his removal is only consequent upon gross misconduct. So tenacious did the Legislature show itself on this point that, when in 1857, it created the Court of Probate with its immense staff, it actually did not permit the Judge to discharge the humblest clerk without the sanction of the Lord Chancellor, notwithstanding that the Judge is always a Privy Councillor, and one of the highest legal functionaries of the Kingdom. And, be it remarked, that Parliament, instead of giving this vast Probate Court patronage to the Prime Minister or other political officer, vested it in a judicial functionary, deriving his salary from the consolidated fund, holding his office not during the Sovereign's favor, but "during good behavior," perfectly independent of politics, and only removable by the Crown on the address of Parliament praying for the same.

We allude particularly to this point, because it furnished a strong indication on the part of the country of the desire to dissever the connection, which had hitherto seemed normal, between patronage and politics. At present there are only some half-dozen offices under the British Crown—exclusive, of course, of the Cabinet—which depend upon the ins and outs of Governments. To each Secretariat of State are attached two or three under secretaries. One of these gentlemen is a political officer, holds a seat in Parliament, and goes out with the Government. There is a similar officer, who shares a similar fate, attached to the Treasury, Poor Law Board, and other principal departments.

The remuneration of British civil servants may, with the exception of about twenty superior officers and the salaries of legal functionaries, be said to range from three hundred to five thousand dollars a year. The promotion in most offices is very slow, and a man enjoying four thousand dollars a year would rarely be under fifty. The usual hours of labor are six. The vacations are liberal—none under a month, and in the Secretaries of State's offices two months. The clerks in the Houses of Parliament, the patronage of which is in the hands of non-political officers, are free for five months. The pay in almost all offices commences at four hundred dollars a year, and rises by small annual instalments.

Georgia Politics.

The Legislature of Georgia has ordered an election to be held on the 19th of this month for Governor for the unexpired term of Gov. BULLOCK. Serious questions have arisen as to the legality of this election, under the constitution of that State. At first many of the Republicans were disinclined to make a contest, preferring to leave the field to the exclusive occupation of the Democrats, who have determined upon an election under circumstances of doubtful constitutionality and of manifest inexpediency.

But it it has been finally resolved to make a contest, and JAMES ATKINS, of Atlanta, has received the Republican nomination. Mr. ATKINS is a native of Georgia, a staunch friend of the Union during the war, and a man of talent and integrity. He was the Republican candidate for Congress in 1868, in a strong Democratic district, and, though defeated, received a flattering vote. He is in thorough sympathy with the Republican Party of the nation. In State matters, he has been clear of all connection with the transactions that have brought discredit upon the late Republican Administration. The Republicans of Georgia have done wisely in selecting such a man for their candidate, and it is to be hoped that they will give him a warm support.

His competitor, Mr. SMITH, of Columbus, was a Confederate Colonel, and a member of the last Confederate Congress, and is now the Speaker of the representative branch of the Legislature. Those Georgians who love the Confederacy will vote for him; those who love the Union will vote for Mr. ATKINS.

An Extraordinary Lawsuit.

A lawsuit of an unusual and painful character has just been begun in Cincinnati. DAVID GWYNNE MINOR, an infant, has filed a petition in the Court of Common Pleas against his father and mother. He alleges that ever since the year 1858 he has been ill-treated and abused by his parents to a degree that has injured him for life. His body is said to be covered with scars, and his health permanently impaired; and he claims, in compensation of these wrongs, the sum of fifty thousand dollars by way of damages.

It appears from the Cincinnati journals that the social position and wealth of the defendants causes this case to be regarded with great interest in that city. The fact that Mr. and Mrs. MINOR refused to compound the suit, without going into court, as seems to have been proposed by adverse counsel, tells in their favor. On the other hand the allegations of the petition, which has now been made public, reveal an amount of fiendish cruelty which, if sustained, will warrant almost any severity of punishment. The petition affirms that on the 5th of July, 1858, and at divers other times, the defendant assaulted the plaintiff with an iron ramrod and with rubber whips; that with great force and violence he seized the plaintiff by the hair of his head and dragged him about the floor, and down two flights of stairs from the third floor of the house to the ground floor; that after this, on the occasion referred to and at other times, the defendant put the plaintiff in a closet under a large tank filled with hot water, in such a position that it was impossible for the plaintiff either to stand up or sit down, and that he kept him there for ten hours without food or drink, or once allowing any relief of his position. Other charges of repeated indignity are too disgusting to print, and in conjunction with further and numerous details of cruelty and oppression make up a very wretched story.

Of course, one side is good only until the other is heard, and it is not to be supposed that Mr. and Mrs. MINOR have not plenty to say in the way of rebuttal. The fact, however, that Mr. BRENEMAN, the plaintiff's counsel, thought proper to negotiate for a compromise before filing his papers, ought to be weighed in connection with the terms of the letter wherein he did so. In that letter, which has been published, Mr. BRENEMAN boldly declares that he has already consulted numerous witnesses, thoroughly conversant with the treatment of the child during all these years, and that they can and will testify to innumerable instances of brutal treatment. He then recites in detail facts that he can establish, or which he intimates cannot, without perjury, be denied. For the sake of avoiding publicity, and that he himself "may be spared the pain of engaging in a suit which, from its nature, and the scandal consequent upon its prosecution, is always peculiarly disagreeable for any member of the profession to be employed in," Mr. BRENEMAN makes overtures which, if he regarded the strength of his case alone, he should esteem superfluous. Those overtures are, however, rejected, and the action goes formally into Court.

Cases like this are happily as rare as they are sad. Let them end as they may, a sting is left behind for all concerned, whose smart is not to be forgotten. We have neither the right nor the wish to prejudge the controversy before us. It may possibly be founded on objects of extortion, and at all events allegation must be sustained by proof before the child can receive our sympathy and the parents our condemnation. Still, with the information before us, it seems a grave mistake to have pushed the matter to litigation. Dirty linen is always better washed at home, and law-suits, of which all the cost and all the sorrow come upon the common household, are not only pitiable in the present, but sure to be legacies of pain in the future. We shall be glad to hear that MINOR *vs.* MINOR is settled before it goes much further, even at the cost of a public "sensation" and of having one *cause célèbre* the less on the records of the Cincinnati Courts of law.

MINOR TOPICS.

We have great respect for the standing and abilities of WILLIAM A. BEACH, but we think that in the present condition of City matters he is too high-priced a lawyer for the public to employ. The Aldermen chosen at the recent election applied to Judge BARNARD for a mandamus compelling the canvassers to count the votes. Judge BRADY decided that the mandamus should be made absolute. The whole thing hardly occupied two hours in Court, and involved no preparation of any consequence on the part of the counsel for the canvassers. But the Supervisors yesterday voted five thousand dollars as fees to Mr. BEACH for his services, and authorized his further employment on an appeal of the same case. As Mr. O'GORMAN draws a salary as counsel to the Supervisors, we suggest that he spare a little time from his bogus suits brought to protect Mayor HALL, and attend to his official duties. At any rate, five thousand dollars an hour is more than we can afford to pay; and if the appropriation just made by the Supervisors has to receive the sanction of the Legislature, we predict that it will not get it.

The jury in the case of JIM IRVING has disagreed, there being ten for conviction against two for acquittal. As IRVING will be tried again next week, and will, in all probability, meet his deserts at the hand of the law, the services of the dissenting two will hardly prove of much value to him. Of one thing he and his friends may be perfectly assured, and that is that on the next panel there will not be found any names which gamblers and prize-fighters will be ready to approve of as representing exceedingly "square men."

Controller GREEN has earned a reputation for doing the proper thing at the proper time. His circular just issued to the heads of Departments is emphatically worthy of being so characterized. It asks for just the sort of information about the internal working of the City Departments which the people want to have, and without which the details of the new charter cannot be fully or intelligibly discussed. We can imagine the consternation of TWEED at being requested not only to furnish the names and residences of the people on his pay-rolls, but also the duties they perform, together with the laws or ordinances defining these duties and fixing the rate of their remuneration. The taxpayers of New-York are the real employers of the City clerks and officers, and they ought always to have the means of judging whether their work is being properly done, and whether they are not paying too much for doing it.

Gen. GRANT is fortunate in his Cabinet. It gives strength to his Administration. Our foreign affairs have been wisely and ably managed by Secretary FISH. The Secretaries of War and of the Navy are capable and faithful, and with equal confidence in both, we confess to have read the report of the former with more satisfaction than that of the latter. We cannot contemplate with any degree of composure suggestions of increased expenditure in any department of the Federal Government. Our present navy, properly cared for, is equal to present and probable contingencies. The President, in his Message, sounds the right key-note. Retrenchment and economy should be rigidly enforced everywhere. Congress should respond practically to the recommendations of the President; while all heads of Departments and all chiefs of Bureaus should seek to diminish rather than to aggravate the expenses of the Government.

Mr. GREELEY, in an article which substantially admits that the chief cause of the divisions which have existed in the Republican Party of the State is the fact that he and his friends don't get their fair share of the offices, closes by saying:

"The calumnies heaped upon us by the Cabinet organs as 'Tammany Republicans,' when we were doing our utmost to elect the Republican ticket and break the power of Tammany Hall, were rather hard to endure; and we do not perceive any cessation in that sort of warfare."

So long as Mr. GREELEY violates his solemn pledges, and keeps up a committee composed largely of men who are today drawing the pay of TWEED and company, which committee he parades as a Republican Committee, he will not "perceive any cessation of that sort of warfare." Let him turn his back upon the hirelings of Tammany; let him adhere to his oft-repeated declarations, that men who draw the pay of Tammany cannot be leaders in the Republican Party; let him abandon his present associations with the McLarens, the Coachmens, the Van Clefts, the Manierres, the Gridleys, and the fifty other stipendiaries of the Ring who "run" him, and he at least will not be called a "Tammany Republican" any longer. In other words, cease to deserve the name, and in time he will lose it. We do not include "HANK" SMITH in our list of GREELEY'S present associates, as Mr. SMITH has concluded such associations are too bad for him, and promises to abandon them.

It is about time for Hon. "HANK" SMITH, the President of the Bowling-green Savings Bank, to come to the front a little more definitely with what he knows about banking. At a meeting of the swindled depositors, not many evenings since, this person indulged in an insufferable amount of Pecksniffian rhetoric, and loudly paraded his unsullied and honorable character, by way of anointing the financial wounds inflicted by his broken bank. It was noticed, however, that he didn't offer to "do anything about it," further than this. Now, immediately after the failure of the bank, the Secretary, SELMES, assured depositors that Mr. SMITH (the "HANK" aforesaid) had promised to make over a large amount of private property to the bank, and that, *if this was done*, all the creditors would be secure. At this time, SELMES was doing his part in transferring some of his own property for the same purpose. All we want to know is whether there was a *reason* why "HANK" should hand over any of his own property to secure the bank, and, if so, why has he not done it? But if no reason existed for the action, why did he agree to make the transfer or why should SELMES have promised it in his behalf?

The proposal of a prominent American life-insurance company to reimburse the thirty thousand unfortunate policy-holders of the insolvent European Assurance Society of London, was referred to in these columns last month. Recent advices indicate that the project has failed through, or, at all events, is likely to do so. It is noteworthy that, whatever complications of a merely technical character may have interfered between the two contracting parties, a potent argument used by the opponents of the scheme was, that in case of litigations ever becoming necessary, the New-York Courts had got to be so corrupt that foreigners could not expect any justice or equity from them. Of course, the foundation of such an objection is the Erie business, which has disgusted the civilized world.

We are informed that OLCOTT, the sadel broker, has induced his friend MILLER, the Superintendent of Insurance, to give the contract for printing the blanks which the Department is obliged to furnish to the insurance companies to fill out their annual statements, to G. C. & G. M. GOODSILLS, the publishers of an insurance paper in this City, which echoes the sentiments of OLCOTT and MILLER. The law provides that all the printing of the State Departments shall be done by the State Printers at Albany, at a specified rate, and, if this illegal arrangement of OLCOTT and MILLER is carried into effect, we trust that the State Treasurer will refuse to pay the bills thus incurred.

Is there not a score of people among all the thousands who suffer from the extortion and greed of the Metropolitan Gas Company, who will combine for the purpose of resisting the exactions of one of the most merciless of the many corporations in this City? The coming Legislature may fairly be expected to redress the wrongs of the people in this matter, but these wrongs must be publicly declared and placed beyond the reach of dispute by the sufferers themselves. Even in a Reform Legislature, a wealthy corporation cannot safely be left to exert all its influence unopposed by any organized resistance on the part of its victims. A very small nucleus will be sufficient to start a very formidable agitation. Will the consumers of the vile compound dispensed as gas to the major portion of New-York not make an effort to help themselves?

AMUSEMENTS.

Musical.

THE SEASON OF OPERA.

"Lucia di Lammermoor" was sung at the Academy of Music last evening. Miss NILSSON, Signor BRIGNOLI and M. BARRE were the leading artists. At the matinée entertainment today, "Fra Diavolo" will be represented for the first time this season. M. CAPOUL will portray the gallant bandit, and Signor RONCONI the comical Englishman; Mlle. DUVAL will be *Zerlina*, and Miss CARY, *Lady Allcash*.

Miscellaneous.

MR. BARNUM'S SHOW.

Mr. BARNUM'S efforts to place before his patrons an exhibition in every way worthy of his name, are meeting with a success commensurate with the magnitude of the undertaking. Large additions are made almost daily to the many departments of the exhibition, and the performances in the arena are continually gathering fresh interest from new programmes. The Rink is thoroughly heated, and can be visited with comfort as well as with a certainty of deriving profit and pleasure from the call.

The Poor of the Fourteenth Ward.

The district bounded by Broadway and the Bowery, Canal and Bleecker streets, contains within its borders more dwellings surrendered to the uses of crime and profligacy, and perhaps a larger number crowded with the poor and destitute than any other portion of the City. In one of their industrial schools. The teachers, the midst of this crime and poverty the Children's Aid Society, some four years ago, opened by constant visitation to the homes of their wretched pupils, become thoroughly acquainted with their sorrows and deprivations, and in time of severest trial are compelled to listen to their tale of woe and want. The sympathy of these hard-working teachers is just at this time sorely tried. The cases of severe suffering brought to their notice within the past week, would hardly be credited but for personal visitation. We have only space to particularize two of them. Mrs. S., now living in Spring-street, was burned out of her little room by the Canal-street fire a few nights since, and lost almost everything that she possessed. She has two children, both of whom are sick, and during the extreme cold of last Wednesday they were obliged to sit in their little room without a spark of fire by which to warm themselves, and without money by which to procure fuel. She did not reveal her destitution until the last hard crust of bread had been eaten by her sick and helpless children. Mrs. L. is living in Jersey-street, her husband is now very ill and in the hospital. She has two small children dependent upon her. Her rent is now due, and she is threatened with expulsion from her home without prompt payment is made. The cold pavement now seems her inevitable doom. We might add others equally pressing, but these already referred to must suffice.

Money or clothing intended for their relief may be sent to the office of the Children's Aid Society, No. 19 East Fourth-street, or to the school, No. 93 Crosby, designating the object for which it is intended.

The Bowling-Green Bank Investigation Commenced—Report by the Receiver.

Judge HOGAN and Mr. T. AUGUSTUS PHILLIPS commenced their investigation into the affairs of the Bowling-green Savings Bank, yesterday, on behalf of the depositors. They made an examination of some of the bonds and mortgages, and found everything correct as far as they went. They will resume their labors today. On Tuesday they will look at the personal securities taken by the bank, and will probably be enabled to throw some light on the secret transactions of the bank. The Depositors' Committee received a report from Mr. KNAPP, the decision in which he stated that he could not realise on the bonds and mortgages and other collaterals, which had come into his hands, without considerable delay. He also announced that he had made an arrangement with a prominent moneyed institution, by which he hoped to convert into funds all the bonds and mortgages under his control; but informed the Committee that it would take some time to examine and be satisfied with the title to the mortgaged property. He thought he would be able to pay a dividend of at least fifty per cent. before the new year, but could not tell how soon he would be able to make another dividend.

The report of the receiver was not received very favorably among the depositors, and there was loud and threatening protests against accepting fifty per cent, or anything less than the full amount. It was rumored that "HANK" SMITH had been endeavoring to borrow money among his friends to place to the credit of the receiver to be distributed among the depositors.

THE GREAT POISON CASE

Fifth Day's Proceedings in the Trial of Mrs. Wharton.

Description of the Court-Room—The Judges, Counsel and Witnesses—Appearance of the Accused — Cross-Examination of Dr. Williams.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Dec. 8.—The Court-room was again thronged today by an eager crowd of people, all anxious to hear the evidence adduced, and participate as spectators in the proceedings of the day. As I have already stated in previous dispatches, a detailed description of the scenes in the Court-room cannot be written more than once without losing freshness, for the details are the same every day. There are the same faces present, sturdy farmers, epauletted naval officers, rough-dressed, and ragged negroes, and idlers of every age, and both sexes, occupying relatively the same positions today that they did yesterday, and have every day since the trial commenced. The majority come early, as soon as 9½, in order to be certain of getting their old seats, while others struggle in and out during the day as leisure or fancy may dictate. Promptly at 10 o'clock, however, the crier appears at the Court-house door, "oh-yeahs" three times, and commands all who may "have business with the Circuit Court to draw near," &c. Immediately following this, the Judges take their seat, the jury is brought in and the proceedings for the day are commenced. There is a rustle at the door, the crowd parts, and a breathless silence prevails, only disturbed by the shuffling of feet, as the crowd make way for Mrs. WHARTON, accompanied by her daughter and Mrs. and Miss NEILSON. The prisoner then enters the bar and takes her accustomed place behind her counsel.

The Court-room will accommodate about 200 people comfortably—that is, if 100 of them can find comfort in standing—and 300 can be crowded into it. The average daily attendance is only about 175, of which number at least fifty are ladies. The windows are shaded with green Venetian blinds, and curtained with heavy brocade, borrowed from the State House for the occasion. The furniture is exceedingly plain, and is grained to imitate light oak. The jury-box is on the right as you enter—on the left of the Judges' as they sit—and the prisoner's box is directly in front of the Judges' bench outside of "the bar." On the Judges' right is the space reserved for waiting jurymen, now devoted to the use of waiting witnesses. The ceiling is high, and the ventilation remarkably good.

Mrs. J. CRAWFORD NEILSON, the intimate friend and most earnest sympathizer with Mrs. WHARTON, and who is now almost constantly at her side, is a portly woman, rather above medium stature, and is evidently on the shady side of fifty. She dresses plainly, though with sufficient regard to prevailing fashions to show that she is amenable to their influence. A cursory glance at her face suggests the impression that she is a matronly woman of kindly feeling, but close inspection reveals features indicating prompt as well as firm decision. Her daughter is not more than twenty years of age, wears eye-glasses, a few extra furbelows and ribbons, but dresses, evidently for the occasion, in sombre black. Mrs. NEILSON invariably takes the first seat in the Court-room behind the counsel for the defense, Mrs. WHARTON the second, Miss NEILSON the third, and Miss NELLIE WHARTON the fourth. The dramatic effect of this array may not be intentional, but it looks studied.

Chief-Judge MILLER, a clear-eyed man of fifty, reminds me very forcibly of Judge SHELLABARGER, of Ohio, before he lost his health and fullness of face. Associate Judge HAMMOND is a low-built man, with very round and stooping shoulders. His eyes are deep-set, with a forward or protruding chin, indented mouth, thin lips, and thin, straggling beard. Associate Judge HAYDEN has the counterpart of the profile of Ex-Postmaster-General RANDALL. His full face, however, suggests the idea of good living. Judge MILLER is the active man of the three; but he invariably seeks the opinion of his associates before announcing a decision, even on a trifling point. They all possess remarkable dignity, are very scrupulous in demanding observance of the rules of the Court, and are particularly zealous in preserving order. Judge MILLER is evidently a man not to be trifled with, as was evidenced a few days since, when he repeated his caution to the jury not to indulge in conversation.

The counsel for the defense arrange themselves in the following order: First, Mr. HAGNER—not Hogner, as the telegraph spelled it for me the other day; second, Mr. I. NEVITT STEELE; third, Mr. JOHN H. THOMAS, and fourth, Mr. HERMAN STUMP. The last-named gentleman is an old and intimate friend of the accused. Mr. HAGNER wears eye-glasses, and has an air of polish that Mr. BINCKLEY has not acquired, and probably would not if he could. Mr. STEELE is tall, and wears eye-glasses. He does the cross-examining, all the debating, and is in fact the leader of the defense. He is a sharp, incisive, though courteous questioner, from whom any but a lady witness would constantly fear a withering sarcasm. He is acknowledged to be one of the most prominent criminal lawyers in the State. Mr. THOMAS appears to be a reticent gentleman, of ready power as a debater, and of fine and attractive appearance. His head is scantily covered with thin locks of light-colored, almost gray, hair.

Mr. SYESTER, Attorney-General of the State, and senior counsel for the prosecution, is the personification of refinement in demeanor and general appearance. He is portly, and is not very active in the prosecution, evidently relying greatly on Mr. REVELLS, the Prosecuting Attorney for the county, whose knowledge of the different witnesses shows that he has studied the case carefully. He is a young man, about thirty-five, has been elected to his present position for five consecutive terms of office, has a very prominent nose, and heavy mustache. He conducts the examination of the witnesses for the prosecution, and thus far has had complete control of the case. He is a ready though not a fluent debater, and has disappointed those who did not know him by keeping his temper several times when they feared he had been provoked by Mr. STEELE's cool and aggressive claims of superior legal knowledge.

Another celebrity in the Court is CHARLES KETCHUM, son of the deceased General. He is a young man of twenty-five or thereabouts, wears silky side whiskers, has a soft eye and clear complexion and dresses very quietly. He is a powerful aid to the prosecution, and is thoroughly acquainted with the details of the evidence on both sides. He makes no display of his knowledge, and is a quiet, inoffensive observer of the proceedings in which, next to Mrs. WHARTON, he has a deeper interest than any of the crowd present.

The towering form and commanding presence of Paymaster-General BRICE is also to be seen prominent among the crowd of witnesses who are anxiously waiting to be called. His square jaws, close-cut whiskers, and swarthy face make a strong contrast with the clear, pie complexion and snow-white beard of his friend Gen. EATON, who is another expectant witness. Gen. BRICE's connection with the case has been very near. He was among the first to point out the possibility of foul play in the manner of Gen. KETCHUM's death. He it was who wrote to Dr. WILLIAMS, of Baltimore, hinting his suspicions, and found that they were confirmed in the opinion of that gentleman, who had already communicated similar hints to the law officers in Baltimore.

Of the numerous lady witnesses called on both sides, it is difficult to say much, save that their intelligent appearance, fashionable dresses and refined manners enliven the Court-room. Mrs. WHARTON, the accused, sits quite undisturbed by her surroundings; but through the folds of her heavy mourning vail, which she now wears constantly, is a vigilant observer of everything in the Court-room. She has not, apparently, changed a particle, either in manner or dress, since the first day of the trial, and is as intrepidly imperturbable as ever.

The trial was resumed today, promptly at 10 o'clock, when it was announced that all the witnesses for the defense, except the medical and chemical experts, would be excused until Tuesday.

Dr. WILLIAMS was called to the stand, and testified as follows:

On Monday afternoon, of June 25, when I first visited Gen. KETCHUM his pulse was feeble and rapid, indicating weakness, and distinguished from a pulse under the influence of opium, which is slow and labored; on Tuesday the pulse and the whole condition of the patient had improved; on Wednesday, the condition was very critical; the pulse presented the same general characteristics as on Monday; only to a greater degree; there was no indication of laboring under an overdose of laudanum; all such indications were wanting; the effects of an ordinary medicinal dose of opium are exhausted in eight or nine hours; when the dose is large enough to be fatal the symptoms become apparent immediately and continue until death takes place in total insensibility; the symptoms are extreme muscular prostration; the pupils of the eye are contracted and insensible to light; the breathing is very peculiar, exceedingly slow, labored and prolonged, and there is an entire suppression of urine; many cases have fallen under his own observation; in all his visits he saw no indication of a fatal dose of laudanum; tartar emetic is a poison when taken in large quantity; any dose beyond five or six grains, where the person is not in the habit of taking it, would be dangerous; the yellow jassamine he administered was prepared at GOSMAN'S; has used it in his practice about ten years; the tincture is made by macerating four ounces of root, adding twelve ounces of diluted alcohol; the effects of a dangerous dose are very marked; the pupils of the eye become dilated or enlarged, the eyelids paralyzed, so that the patient cannot open the eyes; there is a general muscular relaxation; the skin is bathed with perspiration; the breathing is not interfered with in the early stages, and the heart is not affected until a later period, when the breathing is hurried and quick, and the heart acts in a corresponding way; in Gen. KETCHUM'S case there were no indications of an overdose of jessamine; on Wednesday morning, about eleven o'clock, or little after, Mrs. WHARTON told witness that Gen. KETCHUM had become worse after he had taken the second dose of jessamine, and she stated his symptoms; witness expressed his surprise, particularly after the results of the first dose, which soothed and quieted him; he expected the same as a negative result from the second dose; Mrs. WHARTON spoke of the soothing and quieting effects of the first dose; the last dose witness gave was chlorate, a dessert spoonful in milk; at this time, when he administered the dose, KETCHUM was in violent convulsions, and in administering the dose a front tooth was displaced or nearly broken out by forcing the spoon in his mouth, his teeth were so firmly clenched; if the phial given him by Mrs. WHARTON had been full and taken, it would have been fatal; when Gen. KETCHUM he was vomiting; thought probably he was suffering from cholera morbus, but soon discovered that the other symptoms were wanting; if the General had taken on Tuesday afternoon the contents of the bottle handed witness by Mrs. WHARTON, he would have been either dead or hopelessly ill by three o'clock the next day; tartar emetic, in popular language, is used by the profession as an emetic; the symptoms of a fatal dose are very uncertain; he has no knowledge of such symptoms; according to the books an overdose produces a sense of heat, constriction and pain in the throat after swallowing, accompanied by a strong metallic taste; there may or may not be vomiting; sometimes very profuse, sometimes no vomiting; usually there is pain in the stomach and bowels, very severe, with extreme muscular relaxation up to a certain point; there we find stiffness—what the books term "tetanic condition"—stiffness and rigidity; sometimes these symptoms are manifested in an early stage; in addition to these there would be a reddish, bluish, livid appearance upon the face, resulting from its action on the heart, including passive congestion throughout the venous system; on the pupils there is no decided effect; this condition is accompanied by stupor more or less profound, with more or less insensibility; these constitute the leading or more apparent effects; there would be apt to be an increase rather than a diminution of urine; never ordered porter for Gen. KETCHUM; am positive on this subject; a post-mortem would undoubtedly have developed tartar emetic poison; if he had died from apoplexy or paralysis the post-mortem would have developed it; anterior to the post-mortem he expected poison, simply poison; after the post-mortem his previous opinion was strengthened; the symptoms before death and the developments after were consistent with the theory of poison by tartar emetic; knows no instance where jessamine produces convulsions; his own practice has been to prescribe it to prevent convulsions; the symptoms of cholera morbus and those produced by tartar emetic are somewhat similar, and up to a certain period might readily be mistaken one for the other; tartar emetic is easily soluble even in water, and supposes so in lemonade; laudanum administered with tartar emetic would prevent vomiting and purging; in his opinion, eighty drops of yellow jessamine would not produce death; he had frequently taken a teaspoonful—about 100 drops—himself; had frequently administered it, and in one case gave this dose every two hours for twenty-four hours; forty drops in two teaspoonsful of water would produce a color of pale sherry.

Dr. WILLIAMS mixed this quantity in a spoon and handed it to the jury, and next poured it in a tumbler, enlarging the quantity of water to three teaspoonsful. The direct examination of this witness here ended, and the cross-examination was commenced.

The witness was subjected to a protracted and rigid cross-examination by each of the counsel for the defense. His answers in relation to the condition of Gen. KETCHUM while under his treatment, and as to the circumstances and symptoms attending his sickness and death, accorded fully with his statements made on the direct examination. He was examined at length, as an expert, as to the theory, nature, and symptoms of poison by laudanum, tartar emetic, and other poisons, their similarity with cholera morbus and other diseases, and their antidotes. He stated that there were no symptoms which were invariably and exclusively the result of any poison. The theory of books was that tartar emetic operated by absorption; as a rule, it produced vomiting and purging; when this was not the case it was an exception; Gen. KETCHUM had told witness that he had cholera morbus on Saturday and Sunday nights; the jassamine administered by witness was given to relieve congestion. In reply to a question witness stated that he was one of the physicians who first introduced this medicine, gelsemium or yellow jassamine, in medical practice in Baltimore and that he still entertained the views expressed in a lecture delivered by himself on "Gelsemium, and its Therapeutic Value" before the medical faculty of Maryland and published in March, 1871, in the Baltimore *Medical Journal*. Gen. KETCHUM had no fever at any time. The cross-examination was concluded at 2:10 P. M. In answer to a question by the Attorney-General, the witness stated that when he administered the dose of chloral, he thought Gen. KETCHUM was dying.

Dr. L. C. CHEW was sworn, and testified that he had been a practicing physician for thirteen or fourteen years, and Professor of Materia Medica in the University of Maryland between seven and eight years; was present at the post-mortem examination of Gen. KETCHUM; witness substantiated the statements of Dr. WILLIAMS, made yesterday, in regard to the autopsy and the results, and of the placing of the stomach in the jar by Dr. WILLIAMS and himself, which witness corked tightly; he took the jar containing the stomach to the laboratory of the University of Maryland, and placed it under lock and key; the following day Prof. WILES, in the presence of Prof. AIKEN, Dr. WILLIAMS and himself, opened the stomach, and the fluid contents were taken in charge by Prof. AIKEN. The witness next detailed the events subsequent to the exhumation at Washington, and the examination of the heart and lungs, which was found in a healthy condition; in the examinations found no change in any organ which I thought could be the cause of death; he meant no disease in any organ sufficient to produce death; when the stomach was opened in the laboratory it was congested in patches to some extent, especially about the lower part, but no evidences of ulceration; witness had heard the evidence of Dr. WILLIAMS; from the narration of symptoms as given by Dr. WILLIAMS and from his own observations of the changes in the organs, he considered the case a very obscure one, and could not assign a cause for death. Witness afterward explained that he meant no specific cause for death. Attorney-General SYESTER then asked: Taking all you have heard from Dr. WILLIAMS from the stand, as witness, touching the symptoms observed by him in the case of Gen. KETCHUM, together with your own personal experience and observations at the several post mortem examinations of his body, have you any opinion as to whether he died from natural or artificial causes?

Witness—I have.

Attorney-General SYESTER—State from which in your judgment he died?

Witness—He did not die from a natural cause; the quantity of tartar-emetic that will occasion death is exceedingly variable; a dose of twenty grains would be attended with violent symptoms and might produce death; a case was recorded where two grains produced death, and another case where half an ounce (240 grains) did not produce death; the symptoms were variable, and acted on the alimentary canal or veins.

It was now 3 o'clock and the Court adjourned to to-morrow.

Attempted Murder.

JACOB KERWALDT, of No. 31 Attorney-street, was assaulted last evening as he came out of the Singer Sewing-machine Factory, where he had been at work, by some unknown person, and was stabbed in the right side and seriously wounded. He had previously had a quarrel with a fellow-workman, who does not, however, appear to be suspected by the Police of the crime.

Hilton and Sands.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I have two objects in addressing you at this time. One is to thank for the great and good work you have been engaged in—a work in which your courage and fidelity has been rewarded in a way that must be as gratifying to yourselves as to the tax-paying inhabitants of your City. But the good you have done is not limited to the City. It will arrest the demoralization which, like an infectious disease, was corrupting municipal and State Governments throughout the Union. My second object is to express my regret that your exposures of City frauds has dissipated two very pleasant illusions. As a member of the Assembly of 1863, I became acquainted with Judge HILTON and Mr. SANDS, both intelligent and agreeable gentlemen. They had attended the Legislature, as they informed me, for several Winters to exert their influence against corruption and bribery. Judge HILTON'S specialty was to prevent the passage of City railroads, unless the charters were sold at auction for the benefit of the City Treasury. He was, I remember, a terror to evil-doers, arraigning some offenders before Justice JOHN O. COLE, and driving others (such as THOMPSON, of Monroe, and BEMUS, of Chautauqua,) into Canada. I remember how indignantly he used to denounce bad men, and how much everything like official misconduct shocked and distressed him. I remember also that he kept a watchful eye upon Mr. SWEENY, who was an applicant for City railroads. Judge then of my surprise and sorrow to find Judge HILTON not only accused of official rapacity, but actually associated with the same Mr. SWEENY, in a commission that uses up the Park fund by the million! Thus, you see, perishes one of my ideals of honor and honesty. But my next disappointment is still greater and more painful. You have arraigned Mr. NATHANIEL SANDS, the honored Secretary of the Citizens' Association. Mr. SANDS was known and accepted by members of the Legislature as a patriot, a philanthropist and a Christian. We all knew and felt that he was the very embodiment of Municipal reform. If any man had presumed to say, or even insinuate, that NATHANIEL SANDS was not all that he professed to be, he would have been regarded not only as a calumniator, but an enemy to law, order and virtue. But you have mercilessly destroyed this beautiful illusion. I am compelled to believe that Mr. SANDS sold out the Citizens' Association for ten thousand annual "pieces of silver." And I can conceive the possibility of his having been beguiled by TWEED into the tobacco business, though I do not believe Mr. GREELEY connected with them, for he *eschews* tobacco in every form. I cannot and will not, however, believe that Mr. SANDS, while in the enjoyment of a good office for himself and his son under the City Government, put his arm into the Municipal Treasury deep enough to draw out $75,000. There must be some mistake about this. Say that it was $7,500, for while that sum unlawfully obtained is much too large, you startle and shock me by raising it to thousands instead of hundreds. Either figure, however, robs me of a pleasant remembrance, for I can no longer, in my legislative reveries, dwell upon the placid features, benevolent eye and persuasive voice of *that* NATHANIEL SANDS who formerly represented the New-York Citizens' Association.

W. D.

JEFFERSON COUNTY, Thursday, Nov. 30, 1871.

Connolly's Bail.

Messrs. SAMUEL G. COURTNEY, W. A. BEACH and JOHN MCKEON left yesterday afternoon for Albany, to attend the Court today, before Judge LEARNED to argue in favor of the reduction of bail in Ex-Controller CONNOLLY'S case. CHAS. O'CONOR and M. H. PECKHAM will appear in opposition.

Cameos.

If the carving of a figure in ivory seems a labor of patience, the production of Cameos, owing to the unyielding character of the material, is infinitely more laborious. The design on the onyx, sard, or chrysoprase, is slowly carried out by means of a small cutting-wheel, kept constantly moistened with diamond dust, turning at a speed of two thousand revolutions per minute. Apart from the taste in the design, the mere labor of cutting is a work of months. Contrasts of color, caused by the layers of stone, are cunningly brought into play, to add harmony and character to the subject. The lapidary must seize the slightest hint which nature imparts in the stone, and adapt it to the production of his picture. The antique sard, with its warm, ruddy layer, serves as a charming contrast to the snow-white figures to be cut on it. The oriental onyx, generally of an olive-brown tint, with perhaps streaks of different shades, allows the artist opportunity to introduce various colors in the forms and draperies, so that the design, in all its chasteness of outline, has added to that indescribable power of contrast which color only can impart.

Courting examination, Messrs. STARR & MARCUS, of No. 22 John-street, (upstairs,) exhibited to us their collection of Cameos, set and unset, lately selected from among the productions of the most celebrated European artists. That such beautiful ornaments should be sought after by the public shows how American taste is becoming purer, since nothing satisfies them but that which occupies the highest rank in art.—*New-York Tribune.*

THE NEW-YORK TIMES.

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BROWN—BAKER.—On Thursday, Dec. 7, by Rev. Joseph A. Seiss, D. D., at St. John's E. L. Church, Philadelphia, HENRY ARBUTT BROWN and JOSEPHINE LEA, daughter of John R. Baker, Esq.

CRAWFORD—FLETCHER.—On Thursday evening, Dec. 7, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. John Thomson, D. D., THOMAS CRAWFORD to JESSIE, eldest daughter of William Fletcher, Esq., all this of City.

CORKER—VOLLERS.—On Tuesday, Dec. 5, 1871, by Rev. J. J. White, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. JAMES H. CORKER and Miss HENRIETTA E. VOLLERS, all of this City.

EASTON—KINNEY.—In Newark, N. J., on Wednesday, Dec. 6, by Rev. J. F. Stearns, D. D., Mr. NELSON S. EASTON, of Fernandina, Fla., and Miss MARY BURNET, youngest daughter of Hon. Wm. B. Kinney, of Newark.

HADLEY—MARTIN.—On Thursday, Dec. 7, at Calvary Church, by Rev. E. A Washburn, CHARLES L. HADLEY to Miss SALLIE A., daughter of Wm. A. Martin, Esq., all of this City.

MCALPINE—FARRINGTON.—At St. Paul's Church, Owego, N. Y., on Thursday, Dec. 7, by Rev. James Rankine, D. D., of Geneva, assisted by Rev. James H. Kidder, of St. Paul's Parish, Mr. CHARLES L. MCALPINE to STELLA AVERY, daughter of Judge Thomas Farrington, both of Owego.

POSTLETHWAITE—ELLIS.—On Wednesday morning, Dec. 6, by Rev. S. H. Tyng, Jr., WM. M. POSTLETHWAITE, Rector of the Church of the Intercession, Washington Heights, to SALLIE T., eldest daughter of John W. Ellis, Esq., all of this City.

SPRAGUE—EWING.—On Dec. 7, 1871, by Rev. J. J. White, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. BENJAMIN F. SPRAGUE, JR., and Miss MARY E. EWING, all of New-York City.

TROWBRIDGE—TROWBRIDGE.—At Calvary Church, on Thursday, Dec. 7, by Rev. E. A. Washburn, D. D., FREDK. K. TROWBRIDGE to ELLA K., daughter of Edwin L. Trowbridge, all of this City.

TYSEN—DILL.—On Wednesday, Dec. 6, at the residence of the bride's mother, by Rev. Kingston Goddard, EDWARD P. TYSEN, of Brooklyn, to ELIZA LORD, daughter of the late James Dill, of New-Dorp, Staten Island.

TERRY—WOOD.—In New-York, on Monday, Dec. 4, 1871, by Rev. Chauncey Giles, SILAS S. TERRY and MARTHA A. WOOD, all of Riverhead, N. Y. No cards.

DIED.

ADLAM.—At his residence, No. 331 West 48th-st., EDWARD LOWBRIDGE ADLAM, a native of St. Kitts, W. I., aged 69 years.

The funeral will take place at the Free Church of St. Matthew, West 42d-st., near Broadway, on Sunday at 2½ P. M.

ARTHUR.—At Harlem, on Friday, Dec. 8, inst., FANNIE G., eldest daughter of Charles S. Arthur, in the 16th year of her age.

The funeral will take place from the Presbyterian Church at South East, Putnam County, on Sunday, the 10th inst.

BRIDGEMAN.—On Thursday, Dec. 7, ANDREW BRIDGMAN, aged 50 years.

Funeral on Saturday, 9th inst., at 10½ A. M., from his late residence at Astoria, Long Island. The relatives and friends of the family, also, the members of Advance Lodge, No. 635, Hope Lodge, No. 244, and Island City Lodge, No. 538, F. A. M., are respectfully invited to attend. Carriages will be in waiting at Hunter's Point, Long Island City, and at 92d-st. Ferry, Astoria, until 10 o'clock A. M.

BISHOP.—At Spuyten Duyvil, N. Y., Dec. 6, 1871, ANNA NORRIS, wife of W. H. Bishop, and daughter of Adon Smith, aged 25 years and 5 months.

Relatives and friends are hereby respectfully invited to attend the funeral from the residence of Geo. G. Bishop, Norwalk, Conn., at 2 P. M. Saturday, Dec. 9. Trains leave 27th-st. Depot at 9 and 11¼ A. M.

BALDWIN.—At Washington, D. C., on the 6th inst., GEORGE D. BALDWIN, of New-York City, in the 68th year of his age.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from the residence of his cousin, George Lindsley, High-st., Orange, N. J., on Saturday, the 9th inst., at 11¾ o'clock A. M. Interment in Rosedale Cemetery.

CLARKSON.—On Wednesday, Dec. 6, suddenly, CHARLES A. CLARKSON, son of Matthew Clarkson.

The relatives and friends are invited to attend his funeral, on Saturday, Dec. 9, at 12 M., from the residence of his father-in-law, John H. Schoonmaker, No. 19 Cranberry, corner of Willow-st., Brooklyn.

CROMWELL.—At Monroe, Orange County, N. Y., on Sixth day, the 8th inst., WILLIAM CROMWELL, late of this City, in the 72d year of his age.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

GRISWOLD.—At Hamburg, Dec. 8, of typhoid fever, JOHN N. A. GRISWOLD, Jr., in the 23d year of his age, son of George Griswold, Esq., of this City.

HERBERT.—At New-Brunswick, N. J., on Wednesday, Dec. 6, CHARLES MORGAN HERBERT, in the 34th year of his age.

The relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral ceremonies, from his late residence, No. 2 College-av., New-Brunswick, N. J., at 11¼ o'clock, on Saturday, the 9th inst. Funeral services, to which the public are invited, at the First Presbyterian Church, at 12 o'clock M.

JENKINS.—At Bayonne, N. J., Dec. 8, 1871, ROBERT E. JENKINS, aged 69 years.

Funeral will take place on Monday, Dec. 11, at 12 o'clock M., from the residence of his son, R. H. Jenkins, Jr. Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend without further notice.

KIRK.—In Brooklyn, E. D., on Thursday, Dec. 7, JAMES KIRK, in the 62d year of his age, of Coleraine, Derry County, Ireland.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral on Sunday, 10th inst., at 2 P. M., from his late residence, No. 302 Grand-street, Brooklyn, E. D.

☞ San Francisco *Chronicle* please copy.

MORTON.—At Elizabeth, N. J., on Friday, Dec. 8, ELVIRA, daughter of the late Thomas Morton.

Friends and relatives are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from the residence of her brother-in-law, Wilmot Williams, No. 230 Broad-st., Elizabeth, on Monday, 11th, at 3 P. M.

MACDUFF.—At Tremont, N. Y., Dec. 6, after a protracted illness, ISABELLA, wife of James Macduff, in her 68th year.

Funeral will take place from her late residence, Washington-av., Tremont, Sunday, at 1½ o'clock P. M. Friends are respectfully invited.

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MATTHEWS.—On Friday, Dec. 8, of consumption, EMMA JANE, wife of L. Bruce Matthews.

Relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral from Shiloh Pre-byterian Church, on Sunday, Dec. 10, at 1½ o'clock P. M.

STEPHENS.—On Thursday morning, Dec. 7, CHARLES WILLIAM STEPHENS, son of Cornelius and Esther Stephens, aged 25 years.

The relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral from the residence of his father, No. 304 West 58th-st., on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

TOMLINSON.—On Dec. 6, 1871, HENRY T. TOMLINSON, son of Theodore E. and Abbie E. Tomlinson, aged 22 years, 10 months and 25 days.

Funeral services to be held at 11 A. M. on this Saturday, Dec. 9, at St. Ann's Protestant Episcopal Church, 18th-st., near 8th-av. His friends and relatives are invited to attend.

VANDERBILT.—On Thursday, 7th inst., MARGARET VANDERBILT, aged 59.

Funeral at Tarrytown on Saturday, 9th inst.

WEYMAN.—At Stockbridge, Mass., on the 8th inst., JOHN WEYMAN, in the 56th year of his age.

Funeral will take place at Stockbridge, on Sunday, the 10th inst.

WESTERFIELD.—Dec. 7, at Paterson, N. J., Mrs. SARAH WESTERFIELD, widow of the late William Westerfield, of New-York City, in the 90th year of her age.

Funeral services at the house of her daughter, Mrs. John H. Burham, Hamburgh-av., Paterson, N. J., Sunday afternoon, 10th inst., at 2 o'clock. Friends and relatives are invited to attend without further notice.

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POST-OFFICE NOTICE.

The MAILS FOR EUROPE, during the week ending Saturday, Dec. 9, 1871, will close at this office on TUESDAY at 11 A. M., on WEDNESDAY at 10½ A. M., and on SATURDAY at 11½ A. M.

P. H. JONES, Postmaster

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

EXTRAORDINARY BURGLARY.

Goods Valued at $14,000 Stolen From a Bonded Warehouse—Escape of the Thieves.

During the latter part of November a young woman hired a room on the top floor of the tenement-house No. 60 Laight-street, which house adjoins and is fifteen feet higher than the bonded warehouse of HENRY J. MEYER, Nos. 54, 56 and 58 Laight-street. On the Saturday succeeding the hiring of this room by the woman, four men were noticed to go to her room with four trunks, but the incident attracted no particular attention. Monday morning the room was vacated and the trunks carried away with a load of household furniture.

Saturday night the bonded warehouse was securely fastened, as usual, but when it was opened, on Monday, a glance was enough to show that in the interim it had been entered and ransacked by burglars. Upon investigation it was found that forty-seven pieces of black and colored silks belonging to H. B. CLAFLIN & Co. had been removed. It was found that the roof scuttle had been forced open from within, which made it clear that some of the outlaws had managed to secrete themselves in the house before it was closed on Saturday, and thus passed out the plunder to their comrades, and had then got out in the same way. Capt. Ferry went to the room in the tenement-house, which he found locked. Upon breaking open the door, he discovered in the room a folding ladder, a dark lantern, a lot of burglar's tools, and the original paper wrappers of the silks. Pursuing the clue thus offered, he next discovered that the things removed from the room had been taken to No. 211 West Thirteenth-street, but the hope raised by this discovery was instantly destroyed by the further information that the goods had been removed from this house on Tuesday. It was found that they had been taken away in a two-horse furniture truck painted red, the driver of which was a short stout German who spoke English very imperfectly, and who was assisted in the loading by two colored men. With this information the trace of the thieves was entirely lost. Yesterday H. B. CLAFLIN & Co. offered a reward of $5,000 for the recovery of the property.

THE GAS NUISANCE.

No Abatement of the Trouble—Public Sentiment in the Matter.

The many complaints made by gas-consumers about the wretched light afforded, and the exorbitant bills rendered them by the gas companies, were recently discussed at length in these columns. The companies then said that every effort should be made to improve the quality of the light to the complete satisfaction of their patrons, and the TIMES has been awaiting the fulfillment of that promise. But there seems to have been no change for the better. The people in the Metropolitan Company's district declare that their light is, if anything, poorer than ever. In many cases it will not burn at all; in others the jets have but a small globule of pale blue flame, without any illuminating power whatever. Some houses may have enough gas to burn one or two lights in the basement or first story while the upper floors are left entirely destitute of light. The vicinity of Forty-fourth, Fiftieth, Forty-third, Thirty-seventh and Thirty-eighth streets, Madison, Fifth and Fourth avenues, and the eastern part of the City between Thirty-fourth and Sixtieth streets, are the principal localities complained of. In many of the public halls, and some of the churches, even where there is plenty of gas rushing through the pipes, the quality is so bad that the flame yields insufficient light. The gas-jets flicker and smoke —in some instances they dance up and down with an uncertain motion, giving out but a meagre illumination for one moment, and the next leaving the surroundings in murky gloom.

Thus far, the TIMES reporters have been unable to find a score of disinterested persons who do not find fault, in almost every part of the Metropolitan Company's territory. The wealthier class of our citizens reside there, and some of the large commercial and manufacturing concerns are also located either on the eastern or western sides of the district. The river-front streets are perhaps the worst specimens. The street lamps are scarcely discernible, the poor lights seeming to add to the gloom. As has before been remarked, this is a great aid to the perpetration of crime, and the Police are aware that it is almost a forlorn hope to attempt the capture of burglars where their rapid flight cannot be traced by the eye even one-half a block shrouded with darkness. Citizens who have tried every expedient, but without avail, to remedy this nuisance, are completely exasperated. If we are not mistaken, the stock of a new company, if organized in that region, would very quickly be subscribed for. The last resort is for legislative relief, and that is being very generally advocated by the victims to this outrageous monopoly.

Reorganization of the County Auditor's Bureau.

The County Auditor's Bureau, of which MR. EARLE is the head, is to be reorganized. On receiving their salaries for the month of September, which were not paid until a few days ago, the clerks of this bureau were informed that, in all probability, these salaries would be the last paid to them until the Legislature met, and when that body convened, the bureau would, most likely, be abolished altogether. They were therefore admonished that it would be well for them to look out for some other employment. There are now eight clerks in this Bureau, four of whom have no duties to perform whatever. When Mr. GREEN was appointed Deputy-Controller the Bureau had fourteen clerks. Shortly before that it had twenty, and some of the old pay-rolls show that it once numbered fifty employes, of whom forty-five, at least, were sinecurists. It is said that the whole work of the Bureau can be performed with ease by three clerks and the messenger. The gentleman known as the chief book-keeper of the Bureau, now removed, seldom condescended to make his appearance at the office, and on being requested to state in writing what his duties were was unable to comply with the request. So far as can be ascertained, this person performed no work whatever, though drawing a handsome salary.

It is believed that the Bureau was constituted illegally, and that no law or authority of any kind exists for its maintenance. In 1858, the Board of Supervisors passed a resolution directing such a Bureau to be formed, and fixing the salaries to be received by the employes, but it is believed that the Board had no power to pass such a resolution.

The McCauley Homicide—Verdict in the Case.

An inquest was held, yesterday, by Coroner YOUNG in the case of JOHN MCCAULEY, who was shot and killed at the corner of Third-avenue and Forty-third-street, on the night of the 10th of September last, by one THOMAS MURPHY. WM. COUGHLIN testified that on the night of the homicide he was with MCCAULEY, MURPHY and others, and when they had nearly reached Forty-third-street, MCCAULEY insulted MURPHY, who then fired the shot, which took effect in MCCAULEY'S heart, producing almost instantaneous death. MURPHY instantly ran away, and the witness testified that as soon as the Police came up, he informed them who had done the shooting. Roundsman FANNING, Nineteenth Precinct, testified that no one would tell him who fired the shot, and that COUGHLIN would give him no information whatever. The same was true of DAVID BLAKE, another of the party who witnessed the tragedy, and Capt. GUNNER testified that COUGHLIN refused to go with the officer to search for MURPHY, who has never been arrested. The jury rendered a verdict against MURPHY as the murderer, and censuring COUGHLIN and BLAKE for refusing to give information promptly to the Police.

The City and County Government Estimates for 1872.

The following circular has been transmitted to the heads of the various Departments of the City and County Government:

CITY OF NEW-YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, Dec. 6, 1871.

With the view of providing for the expenses necessary to carry on the City and County Governments for the year 1872, you are respectfully requested to furnish to this Department, at your earliest convenience, a detailed estimate of the sums required for the efficient maintenance of your Department for the ensuing year, commencing with Jan. 1, 1872. In these estimates, will you please insert in detail the names and residences of all officers, clerks and others, in the employ of your Department, with the salaries and duties of each, and a reference to the law or ordinance defining the duties or fixing the salaries. Expenditures other than salaries should be given as much in detail as the circumstances will permit. It is earnestly recommended that, in making these estimates, all expenses be limited to the least amount consistent with the efficient administration of your Department.

Yours, very respectfully,
ANDREW H. GREEN, Controller.

Hoboken Turtle Club.

The annual meeting of this time-honored Club took place at the Sinclair House, Eighth-street and Broadway, for the election of officers for the ensuing year, resulting in the election of JAMES L. MILLER, President; Col. Alexander Engleson, First Vice-President; (vice Green;) Capt. William Fowler, Second Vice-President; A. L. Ashman, Treasurer; A. B. Taylor, Secretary; H. N. Mott and Harris Bogart, Stewards. The annual ball, (which has ever been a success,) will take place at Apollo Hall, Jan. 4, 1872.

The Eighth Ward Reform Club.

The citizens of the Eighth Ward have organized a Reform Club, and Thursday night held a large and enthusiastic meeting. HUGH TAYLOR, Esq., presided. The meeting passed resolutions to the effect that the civil service reform, now receiving the consideration of Congress, should also receive the attention of the Legislature in framing a new City Charter, and that officers be paid by a fixed salary, and not by fees.

University Law Lectures.

The first lecture in the series, under the auspices of the University of the City of New-York, was delivered last evening in the chapel of the University by Mr. CHARLES B. MOORE, on "The Science and Practice of Law; a General View for Students." The lectures will be continued every Friday during the Winter for the benefit of law students. Mr. MOORE referred to the general principles that should guide the operation of law, maintaining above all things that the atmosphere surrounding the judiciary should be pure and unprejudiced by political or other considerations.

THE BUILDING RECORD.

Proposed New Buildings.

The following is the list of new buildings proposed for erection in the City since the last report, and for the week ending Thursday, Dec. 7, 1871. The report is an official one, from plans filed at the office of JAMES M. MACGREGOR, Superintendent of the Department of Buildings:

BROWN-STONE FRONTS.

Three first-class dwellings, south side of Sixty-first-street, 175 feet east of Third-avenue, 16.8 by 50, three stories and basement; BRIEN & NASON, owners.

One first-class dwelling, south side of Sixty-first-street, 375 feet east of Ninth-avenue, 25 by 56, four stories; EMIL COLEMAN, owner.

Three tenement-houses, Nos. 234, 236 and 238 East Seventy-fourth-street, 16.8 by 55, four stories; MARY C. and GEO. J. ROSS, owners.

One tenement house, No. 79 Rivington-street, 25 by 63, five stories; SAMUEL SCHUSTER, owner.

BRICK FRONTS.

One church, north side of One Hundred and Twenty-fifth-street, 38 feet west of Madison-avenue, 36 by 70, two stories; Trustees of the Harlem Presbyterian Church owners.

Six tenement-houses, north-east corner of Tenth-avenue and Forty-ninth-street, 20 and 18 by 50 and 57, four stories; MAURICE LIVE and HENRY GERSHEL, owners.

Four tenement-houses, Nos. 132, 134, 136, 138 and 140 Orchard-street, 26 by 72, five stories; HERLIEN & ROBENSTEIN, owners.

Two tenement-houses, south side of Sixty-first-street, 160 feet west of First-avenue, 20 by 55, four stories; HENRY EISNER, owner.

One tenement-house, north-west corner of Fifty-second-street and Eleventh-avenue, 25.10 by 56, four stories; F. DYKE, owner.

One tenement-house, No. 279 East Tenth-street, 25 by 62, five stories; CONRAD THIELE, owner.

One tenement-house, No. 107 Sullivan-street, 25 by 26; five stories; P. J. BURKE, owner.

One factory north side of Forty second-street, 150 feet west of second-avenue, 75 by 100, four stories; JACKSON & STIENMETZ, owners.

One stable north side of Twenth-eighth-street, 275 feet west of Tenth-avenue, 25 by 26, two stories; JOHN FARRELL, owner.

One stable south-west corner of Second-avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-seventh-street, 99.11 by 230, two and one stories; Second-avenue Railroad Company, owner.

RECAPITULATION.

Total number buildings.	25	Church	1
Brown-stone fronts	8	Tenement-houses	17
Brick fronts	17	Factory	1
First-class dwellings	4	Stables	2

Alterations in Buildings.

For the week ending Thursday, Dec. 7, 1871, the following are the only plans of importance for alterations in buildings submitted at the Department in this City. No alterations are reported where the expense incurred does not exceed the sum of $1,000:

One first-class brick dwelling, No. 506 West Twenty-fifth-street, 20 by 30, two stories and basement, two stories to be added, and extension in rear 25 by 35, four stories in height; JAMES MILLER, owner.

One brick hotel, north-east corner Broadway and Thirty-first-street, 105 by 68, five stories, extension in rear 40 by 28, five stories in height, and a Mansard roof added to entire building; EDMUND HURRY, owner.

One brick market, Nos. 224, 226, 228 and 230 East Thirty-fourth-street, 88 by 38, one story, floor to be lowered twelve feet and building to be changed into a theatre.

Two brick stores, No. 129 and 131 Grand-street, 25 by 80, five stories, interior alterations to be made and buildings strengthened; Mr. CUYLER, owner.

One brick store, No. 86 Willitt-street, 25 by 20, three stories, rear wall to be removed and building connected with extension; BERNHARD SCHABF, owner.

Two brick factories, Nos. 709 and 711 Third-avenue, 20 by 35, three stories, extensions in rear, each 20 by 20 feet, one story high; WM. LAW, owner.

Two brick buildings, Nos. 5 and 7 East Fifty-second-street, 25 by 70, three stories, extensions in rear, each 25 by 30, one story in height; C. H. P. ARCHER, owner.

One brick building, No. 868 Broadway, 24 by 43, four stories, extension in rear 24 by 41, one story high; M. MARQUIEND, owner.

Unsafe Buildings.

Since our last report, and for the week ending Thursday, Dec. 7, the following buildings in this City have been reported as unsafe, in the particulars annexed, at the office of the Superintendent of the Department:

West-street, No. 86, CHARLES SPEAR, owner; unsafe front and north gable walls.

Elizabeth-street, No. 249, JACOB WEEKS, owner; unsafe rear wall.

Sixth-avenue, building south-east corner of Fifty-sixth-street, SCHOLLE BROS., owners; unsafe front wall.

West Houston-street, No. 214, RICHARD PATRICK, owner; unsafe easterly wall.

Aun street, No. 78, H. N. SQUIRE, owner; unsafe front and rear walls.

East Houston-street, No. 81, Astor estate, owner; unsafe rear and westerly walls.

Catherine-street, No. 67, ANDREW MARTIN, owner; unsafe parapet wall.

Coenties slip, No. 17, PHILIPS PHŒNIX, owner; unsafe and loose slating on roof.

UNSAFE CHIMNEYS.

City Hall-place, Nos. 1, 3, 5 and 7, GEORGE BRUCE'S SON & CO., owner, unsafes; City Hall-place, No. 8, J. SCHEUERMAN, owner, unsafe; City Hall-place, No. 19, GEO. WEAVER, owner, unsafe; City Hall-place, No. 21, JAMES MCGOWAN, owner, unsafe; City Hall-place, No. 23, DENNIS BURNS, owner, unsafe; City Hall-place, No. 20, St. Andrews Church, owner, unsafe; City Hall-place, Nos. 25 and 27, W. R. JANEWAY, owner, unsafe; City Hall-place, No. 34, MICHAEL DUANE, owner, unsafe; City Hall-place, No. 33, HENRY L. JANEWAY, owner, unsafe; City Hall-place, No. 35, W. R. JANEWAY, owner, unsafe; City Hall-place, No. 37, M. CHORET, owner, unsafe; Eighth-avenue, No. 205, estate of WM. NOAH, owner, unsafe; Green-street, No. 206, J. B. MONNOTT, owner, unsafe; Division-street, No. 37½, MRS. ROSENBERG, lessee, unsafe; Division-street, No. 39, MORRIS VENTNER, lessee, unsafe; Catherine-street, No. 67, ANDREW MARTIN, owner, unsafe; Coenties-slip, No. 17, PHILIPS PHŒNIX, owner, unsafe; Market-street, No. 37, DAVID FIELD, agent, unsafe.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

At the Exchange, yesterday, Dec. 8, JAS. M. MILLER, by order of the Supreme Court in foreclosure, under the direction of C. A. JACKSON, Esq., referee, sold a three-story brick house and lot on the north side of Forty-first-street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues, for $11,000; purchased by W. W. ARMFIELD, the plaintiff in the foreclosure suit. No other business was transacted. For next week the number of sales to occur is greater than of late, and at legal sale and otherwise, quite a large quantity of really valuable real estate will be offered. For particulars as to the auctions to take place, reference is made to the detailed list, which will be published as usual on Monday.

The following is a review of the business transacted at the Exchange on Thursday, Dec. 7, which was inadvertantly omitted yesterday. B. P. FAIRCHILD, under a Supreme Court order in foreclosure, WM. C. TRAPHAGEN, Esq., referee, disposed of two lots, located on the south side of Bank-street, 79 feet 9 inches west of Fourth-street, together in size, 45 by 75, which was bought by T. B. WYLIE for $8,700. In addition to this sale, A. J. BLEECKER, SON & CO., by order of the Supreme Court, also in foreclosure, T. H. LANDON, Esq., referee, offered at auction a lot with a building thereon, on the south side of Forty-eighth-street, 265 feet west of Sixth-avenue, lot in size 20 by 100.5. The only bid received was one of $25, at which sum the property was knocked down to J. T. CROAL, the plaintiff in the action in question. No reasons as to why this only nominal bid was received were stated. The legal sale of property on the north-west corner of Third-avenue and One Hundred and Third-street expected to occur, was adjourned by JAMES M. MILLER, the auctioneer, until the 18th inst.

At the Commercial Exchange, Brooklyn, on Thursday, J. COLE, under various Court orders in foreclosure, sold quite an extensive list of real estate located in that city, as follows: Warren-street, 225 feet west of Buffalo-avenue, 25x127, vacant lots, sold to J. RIDER, for $975. Wyckoff-street, south side, 300 feet east of Pacific-avenue, 109x39x28.6x12.6, to J. RIDER, for $385. Bennett-avenue, west side, 50 feet south of Blake-avenue, 25x100, house and lot, to J. ANDERSON, for $1,000. One lot, adjoining above, 25x100, to H. SCHENCK, for $100. Jefferson-street, east side, 100 feet south of Liberty-avenue, 25x90, house and lot, to P. RIDER, for $1,300. Bennet-avenue, west side, 225 feet south of Blake-avenue, 25x100, to OLIVER DAVIDSON, for $100. One lot adjoining above, 25x100, to CHARLOTTE COFFIN, for $100. East New-York-avenue, north side, 225 feet west of Sackman-avenue, 221x40, to AMANDA SMITH, for $1,372. Atlantic-avenue, south side, 50 feet west of Miller-avenue, 25x90, to S. S. CORTISS, for $500. The same auctioneer adjourned the Supreme Court sale in foreclosure of thirty lots of land, situate on Grand-avenue, Willoughby-avenue and Lafayette-avenue, Brooklyn, Long Island, the same being part of the old Hayseele Farm of the Jackson estate, to Dec. 9, by order of GERARD M. STEVENS, Esq., referee.

At private sale, V. K. STEVENSON & SON, No. 11 Pine-street, report having recently disposed of a lot, 26.8x100, with the stone building thereon, situate on the south-west corner of Third-avenue and One Hundred and sixteenth-street, this city, for $22,750, cash. Purchaser, Mr. DENNIS BURKE, of this City.

Exchange Sales, Friday, Dec. 8.

NEW-YORK.

By James M. Miller.

3-story brick h. and l., n. s. of 41st-st., 80 ft. w. of 7th-av., lot 2025.3..... $11,000

CITY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE.—A LARGE BROWN-STONE store and house, (containing twenty rooms,) in 6th-av., (Reservoir-square,) rented to a good tenant.

Also,

lease hold and valuable estate, (Rutgers' lease,) No. 3 Canal-st., 25x125, extending to Division-st., and including Nos. 167 and 167½.

Also,

a country-seat at Jamaica, Long Island, known as the Gunther estate; one of the finest country-seats on Long Island; 4an acres of land: large mansion and out-buildings.

Also,

four-story brown-stone English basement house, 20x85x100, in 37th-st., near 5th-av., elegantly furnished, with or without furniture.

Apply to the owner, No. 42 West 37th-st.

AN ELEGANT HOUSE ON 57TH-AV., 30 feet, new, $140,000; one do., 25x90, $100,000; a full lot adjoining on the street, for stable if desired, $150,000; cheap full front on Madison-av., hard wood, $8,000; also one on 47th-st., near 5th-av., full front, very low for size and quality.

HATCH & VAN DOREN, No. 610 6th-av.

FOR SALE—IN 49TH-ST., JUST EAST OF 5th-av., a beautiful four story English-basement brown-stone house of medium size; recently overhauled; beautifully finished and in fine order; 10ft 100.5; in fee; price reasonable and terms easy. E. H. LUDLOW & CO., No. 3 Pine-st. and 35 East 17th-st.

FOR SALE—THE VALUABLE PROPERTY on the south-west corner of 4th-av. and 14th-st., extending from rear of Wallack's Theatre to stables, Union-square. Apply to K. CORNWALLIS, Counselor-at-Law, No. 43 Wall-st.

SEVERAL CHEAP HOUSES IN PARK-av., $36,000, four story, hard wood; several others, larger, $40,000, and several at $45,000, partially finished.

HATCH & VAN DOREN, No. 610 6th-av.

$13,500.—THREE STORY, HIGH STOOP, brick; 73d-st., 4th and Lexington-avs.; good neighborhood; 18.9x50x100; easy terms.

HATCH & VAN DOREN, No. 610 6th-av.

FOR SALE OR TO LET—AN ELEGANT brown-stone house, 25x62, four stories, 46th-st., near 5th-av.; possession. S. EDDY & CO., No. 1 Park-place.

COUNTRY REAL ESTATE.

ORANGE, N. J.—COUNTRY HOUSES, lands and village lots for sale; a great variety. Also, furnished and unfurnished houses to let for season or year, by BLACKWELL & SMITH, 243 Broadway, 9 to 11; or Orange, corner Main and Cone sts.

FOR SALE—AT A GREAT SACRIFICE, A fine residence and all necessary out-houses, in Morrisania, with half an acre of ground, fruit, &c. Address Box No. 4,189 Post-office.

DWELLINGS TO LET.

TO LET—AT A LOW RENT, ON THE BANKS of the Hudson, 105th-st., Bloomingdale, a dwelling-house, with barn and stable, and plenty of land for a garden; a pleasant suburban residence near the grand Boulevard. Apply at No. 5 Beekman-st., room No. 7, first floor.

TO LET—A FIRST-CLASS FOUR-STORY high-stoop brown-stone house in 71st-st., between 3d and 4th avs.; possession immediately. For particulars address WILLIAM POILLON, foot Bethune-st.

TO LET—A VERY DESIRABLE HOUSE AT No. 489 Hudson-st.; rent, $1,100 a year; in good neighborhood; immediate possession. No. 103 Chambers-st.

TO LET TO A PRIVATE FAMILY—an elegant brown-stone house, handsomely furnished. Apply on the premises, No. 235 West 14th-st.

STORES, &C., TO LET.

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SPLENDID OFFICES TO LET IN THE FIRE-PROOF TIMES BUILDING.
Apply at TIMES COUNTING-ROOM.

TO LET—ALL THE LOFTS OF THE NEW marble store No. 731 Broadway; easy of access and well lighted. Apply to JOHN J. CISCO, No. 59 Wall-st.

HOUSES & ROOMS WANTED.

STORE WANTED—BETWEEN WORTH and Canal, Church and Elm sts.; 50 feet front by 100, or the lofts alone would answer; must be light; possession on or before Jan. 1, 1872. Address RESPONSIBLE, Importer, Post-office Box No. 4,809.

WANTED TO RENT—A MEDIUM-SIZED house, or a flat, unfurnished; location preferred between 10th and 34th sts. Address Post-office Box No. 5,064.

REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

WOOLEN-MILL FOR SALE.

The undersigned, assignee in bankruptcy of LOUIS M. OBERHOFER, will sell at auction on THURSDAY, Nov. 23, 1871, at 10 o'clock, at Canterbury, Conn., upon the premises, the remaining property of said bankrupt, to wit:

A two-set fancy cassimere mill, complete, with stone dam and good water privilege, stone picker-house, suitable buildings and tenements, and about sixty acres of land, and two complete sets of fancy cassimere machinery for the manufacture of all kinds of fancy cassimeres; also, mansion-house, barn, &c., and about six acres of land.

The above will be sold subject to certain mortgages, a part of which can probably lie for a long while.

Also, certain personal property and stock, &c., worth the attention of store-keepers, farmers, and others.

The above will be sold, without reserve, to the highest bidder. Further particulars may be had of SOLOMON LUCAS or HIRAM CROSBY, Norwich, Conn., or of the undersigned.

JOHN W. MASON, Assignee,
No. 50 Park-place, New-York.

Preceding sale is adjourned to FRIDAY, Dec. 1, at same hour and place.

JOHN W. MASON, Assignee,
No. 50 Park-place, New-York.

The above sale is adjourned to TUESDAY, Dec. 12, at same hour and place.

JOHN W. MASON, Assignee,
No. 50 Park-place, New-York.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE LOTS ON 73D-ST. AND BOULEVARD, AND 124TH STS., AND ON EAST 22D AND 23D STS., TO CLOSE AN ESTATE.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 13, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway:

GRAND BOULEVARD.—Four lots west side Grand Boulevard, between 122d and 123d sts.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD AND ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FOURTH STREETS.—Eight lots north side 123d-st., and eight lots south side 124th-st., 175 feet east of Grand Boulevard.

EAST TWENTY-SECOND AND TWENTY-THIRD STREETS.—Three lots north side 22d-st., and three lots south side 23d-st., about 350 feet east of 1st-av. Terms liberal.

Maps at the office of the auctioneers, No. 7 Pine-st.

HUGH N. CAMP, Auctioneer.

SPLENDID EAST-SIDE HARLEM LOTS.—M. A. J. LYNCH & HUGH N. CAMP will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, Dec. 12, 1871, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, (Trinity Building,) New-York:

EAST ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH-STREET.—Three lots, north-side of 112th-st., between Lexington and 3d avs., commencing 160 feet west of 3d-av.; each lot 20x100.11 feet. Title perfect.

Maps and particulars at the office of the auctioneers, No. 106 Broadway, corner Pine-st.

JOSEPH MCGUIRE, Auctioneer,

WILL SELL AT AUCTION, TUESDAY, Dec. 12, 1871, at 12 o'clock noon, by order of the Supreme Court, under the direction of Gratz Nathan, Esq., Referee:

The valuable property known as No. 6 Union-square, opposite the Washington Monument; size, 25 x80 feet.

ALSO,

The property known as No. 547 West 29th-st.

Maps at the auctioneer's office, No. 87 Cedar-st.

HOTELS.

NEW-ENGLAND HOTEL, NO. 39 BOWERY, corner Hayard-st.—200 light rooms, neatly furnished, 50 cents and 60 cents per night, $3 to $4 per week; for gentlemen only.

ST. CHARLES HOTEL—EUROPEAN plan, No. 643 Broadway, corner Bleecker-st.; single rooms from $3 50 to $7 per week.

GEO. S. & L. LELAND, Proprietors.

LEGAL NOTICES.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSTON, Auctioneer, No. 37 Nassau-st.

THE EFFECTS OF THOMAS H. HUTCHINS, an American artist, who died at Rome, consisting of paintings, sketches, &c., will be sold at public auction on SATURDAY, Dec. 9, 1871.

By order of
A. J. ROGERS,
Public Administrator.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—NOV. 28, BETWEEN JERSEY CITY and Rutherford Park, a YELLOW POCKET-BOOK, containing ticket No. 15,069 in the Washington Gift Concert, and one-quarter ticket No. 16,693 in the Louisville Library Concert, and $2 50. Finder may retain the money, but send other things to Box No. 3,562 New-York Post-office.

FURNITURE.

WARREN WARD & CO., MANUFACTURERS and wholesale and retail dealers in EVERY VARIETY OF FURNITURE for City and country residences.
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LOAN OFFICES.

NO. 1,191 BROADWAY.—AT H. R. MELVILLE'S coral and jewelry store, cash advanced on diamonds, jewelry and watches, laces and shawls. Desk in rear of store, No. 1,191 Broadway, between 28th and 29th sts.

INSTRUCTION.

ANTHON Grammar School,

NO. 229 MADISON-AV.,
BETWEEN 38TH AND 39TH STS.

The departments of Ancient and Modern Languages will reopen MONDAY, Sept. 11, and the Primary Department MONDAY, Sept. 18. School hours from 9½ A. M. to 2½ P. M.

Mount Washington Collegiate Institute,

NO. 40 WASHINGTON-SQUARE (SOUTH.)

DR. GEO. W. CLARKE, PRINCIPAL.

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MRS. C. B. CURTIS' DAY-SCHOOL for young ladies and children will open WEDNESDAY, Sept. 20. Rooms at Emmanuel Church, 37th-st., near Lexington-av. After Sept. 10 applications for admission may be made at the Vestry-room, from 10 to 12 A. M., or address by letter at No. 129 East 38th-st.

MISSES PORTER & CHAMPNEY'S Boarding-school for young ladies and children, Hadley, Mass. Winter Term commences Wednesday, Jan. 3, 1872. Circulars and testimonials can be obtained of H. C. HULBERT, Esq., No. 13 Beekman-st., New-York, or by addressing the Principals.

ROCKLAND FEMALE INSTITUTE, NYACK, ON THE HUDSON, N. Y.—The Fall term will commence Sept. 20. For circulars with full particulars, address Rev. L. DELOS MANSFIELD, Principal.

BOARDING SCHOOL.—FALLEY SEMINARY, Fulton, Oswego County, N. Y.; terms, $180 per year, both sexes. Address Rev. JAS. GILMOUR, A. M.

PROF. J. W. SCHERMERHORN, A. M., will open his English, Classical, Mathematical, French and German School for boys Sept. 18. No. 859 6th-av. Circulars and conference at rooms.

ALONZO FLACK, A. M., PRESIDENT of Claverack College and Hudson River Institute, at Claverack, N. Y. For both sexes. Term opens Dec. 8. $300 whole expense per year.

SELECT SCHOOL FOR YOUNG CHILdren; number limited to twenty. The Winter term opens Nov. 20. For particulars apply 40 Mrs. EASTMAN, No. 249 Cumberland-st., Brooklyn.

$325 PER YEAR, AT THE STAMFORD (Conn.) Collegiate Institute for ladies. Pupils received at any time. R. C. FLACK, A. M.

FEMALE INSTITUTE—WHITE PLAINS, N. Y.; second term opens Nov. 20. Address Mrs. R. B. SEARLES, Principal.

MILITARY BOARDING SCHOOL, WHITE Plains, N. Y.; Principal, O. R. WILLIS, Ph. Dr.

WM. R. LEGGETT'S SCHOOL, NO. 1,214 Broadway, one door below 30th-st.

"THE BEST SCHOOL FOR EARNEST BOYS—Riverview Academy, Po'keepsie, N. Y."

PROPOSALS.

FALL RIVER WATER-WORKS.

Sealed proposals from iron founders, indorsed "Proposals for Cast-iron Water-pipes and Special Castings," will be received by the Water Commissioners of the City of Fall River, Mass., at their office in said city, until 12 o'clock M., of FRIDAY, the 15th day of December, 1871, for furnishing the following quantities of Cast-iron Water-pipes and special Castings:

2,356,000 pounds 24-inch Pipes.
1,411,000 pounds 20-inch Pipes.
2,028,000 pounds 16-inch Pipes.
272,000 pounds 12-inch Pipes.
302,000 pounds 10-inch Pipes.
1,122,000 pounds 8-inch Pipes.
418,000 pounds 6-inch Pipes.
360,000 pounds of Special Castings.

The delivery of the Pipes is to begin on the 15th day of March, 1872, and the whole amount is to be delivered by the 15th day of August, 1872.

Specifications and forms of contract and of proposals may be obtained on application at the office of the Chief Engineer.

The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all proposals.

PHILIP D. BORDEN,
WILLIAM LINDSEY,
JOSEPH A. BOWEN,
Water Commissioners.

GEO. A. HIGGS, Chief Engineer.
JAMES P. KIRKWOOD, Consulting Engineer.
DEC. 2, 1871.

PURCHASING AND DISBURSING PAY-MASTER'S OFFICE, U. S. NAVY,
No. 29 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 6, 1871.

PROPOSALS SEALED AND INDORSED on envelope "Bids for Supplies Advertised," will be received at this office until 1 o'clock P. M., the 9th inst., for the following supplies of the best quality, to be delivered at the Navy-yard, New-York, viz.:

BUREAU PROVISIONS AND CLOTHING.
30,000 lbs. Sugar.
20,000 lbs. Green Coffee.
2,000 gallons Molasses.
50,000 lbs. Salt Water Soap.
Naval Standard.

BUREAU STEAM ENGINEERING.
1,000 gallons Olive-oil.

Bidders are referred to the officers in charge at the Navy-yard for samples and further information, and will state in their proposals the date within which they will complete deliveries, if awarded to them, which must not exceed ten days from date of order.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids that may not be deemed advantageous to the Government, and to award each article or item separate, as may be most to its interest.

Responsible security required for the prompt and faithful delivery of supplies awarded within the time specified.

Blank forms will be furnished at this office, and bids opened at the hour above named, when parties interested are invited to be present.

J. O. BRADFORD,
Pay Director United States Navy.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER of the application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New-York, relative to the widening and straightening of Broadway, between Thirty-fourth-street and Fifty-ninth-street, and also the making of that part of Broadway, between Thirty-second-street and Thirty-fifth-street, and that part between Forty-second-street and Forty-seventh-street, of a greater width than one hundred feet, in the City of New-York.—We, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-enuitled matter, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, lessee or lessees, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots, improved and unimproved lands affected by the above-entitled proceeding, that in pursuance of the fourth section of the act of the Legislature of the people of the State of New-York, entitled "An Act in relation to the widening and straightening of Broadway, in the City of New-York, and to regulate the practice in that proceeding," passed Feb. 27, 1871, we have completed our estimate and assessment in said before-entitled matter, and that the abstract of our proposed report therein, showing the lands made for damage, and the assessments imposed for benefit in said matter, has been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works in the City of New-York, said abstract to remain in said office open to public inspection and examination, until the 21st day of December, 1871, when our report herein, together with our said abstract, will be presented for confirmation to the Supreme Court, at a special term thereof, to be held before Hon. Albert Cardozo, Justice, at the County House, in the City of New-York, on said 21st day of December, 1871, at the opening of the Court.—Dated New-York, Nov. 25, 1871.

JOHN Q. JONES,
WILLIAM WOOD,
Commissioners.

CITY OF NEW-YORK, DEPARTMENT of Finance, Bureau of the Receiver of Taxes, Court-house, Park, No. 32 Chambers-st., Dec. 5, 1871.

TO TAX-PAYERS.

Notice is hereby given that an additional one per cent. will be added on the 15th inst. to taxes unpaid previous to that day. On the 1st of January following, interest at the rate of twelve per cent. will be added, to be calculated from the 4th day of October, 1871, to the date of payment.

BERNARD SMYTH, Receiver.

AUCTION SALES.

ROBERT SOMERVILLE, Auctioneer.

ART SALE.

A GRAND EXHIBITION OF OVER 200

high-cost European and American oil-paintings, the works of over 150 of the most prominent modern artists, and is evidently the largest and finest collection heretofore offered at auction. They will be on exhibition, free, day and evening, and sold on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY EVENINGS, the 13th and 14th of December. ROBT. SOMERVILLE,
Auctioneer.

EDWARD M. BROWN, Auctioneer.

BY T. E. HINTURN, BROWN & CO.—THIS DAY, (Saturday,) Dec. 9, at 11 o'clock, within their store, whatever may be the state of the weather:

991 packages fresh Almeria Grapes.
281 cases fresh Valencia Oranges.
120 cases fresh Seville Oranges.
28 cases fresh Lisbon Oranges.
1,000 boxes Malaga Lemons.

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AN ACTIVE BUSINESS MAN, WITH not less than $10,000, can obtain a good interest in an established business paying cent. per cent on sales. The money invested will be applied exclusively to furthering the interests of the enterprise. Address DECEM., Box No. 150 *Times* Office.

ACTIVE PARTNER WITH $2,500 to take full charge of one of the stores of the New-England Bedding Company. Call personally at Nos. 164 and 166 Fulton-st., Brooklyn, this day, Saturday and Tuesday.

STATIONERY.

DIARIES FOR 1872, FROM 25 CENTS TO $3.—Expense books, patent spring back account books, stationery and printing of every kind; orders solicited. FRANCIS & LOUTREL, No. 45 Maiden-lane.

SLOTE & JANES, STATIONERS, PRINters and blank-book manufacturers, No. 93 Fulton-st. Blank-books made to any pattern.

MARBLE MANTELS.

A. KLABER, STEAM MARBLE AND MARbleizing Works, Nos. 134 and 136 East 18th-st. Marble and marbleized mantels, tiling, marble counters, monuments at prices that defy competition. Marble turning for the trade.

S. KLABER & CO., NO. 223 WEST 51ST-ST., between Broadway and 8th-av.—Marble and marbleized mantles, monuments, head-stones, cheapest in the City; designs on application.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

FEMALES.

WANTED—A SITUATION TO DO COOKING or general house-work by a neat, industrious girl; a good cook and an excellent washer and ironer; a respectful, economical and obliging servant; recommended; City or country. Call at No. 111 Atlantic-st., Brooklyn.

WANTED—BY AN EXPERIENCED ENGlish woman, a situation as first-class cook; understands her business in all its branches, pastries, ices, jellies, made up-dishes, boning, larding and baking; best City reference. Call at No. 721 6th-av., upstairs.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable Scotch Protestant as thorough chamber-maid in a private family; would do plain sewing if required;

SHIPPING.

CUNARD LINE.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAM-SHIPS, BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR.

RUSSIA.....Wednesday, Dec. 13
CALABRIA.....Saturday, Dec. 16
JAVA.....Wednesday, Dec. 20
CUBA.....Wednesday, Dec. 27
ABYSSINIA.....Wednesday, Jan. 3

RATES OF PASSAGE.

Cabin, $80, $100 and $130, gold, according to accommodation.
Tickets to Paris, $15, gold, additional.
Return tickets on favorable terms.
Steerage.....$30, currency.
Steerage tickets from Liverpool and Queenstown and all parts of Europe at lowest rates.
Through Bills of Lading given for Belfast, Glasgow, Havre, Antwerp, and other ports on the Continent, and for Mediterranean ports.
For freight and cabin passage apply at the Company's Office, No. 4 Bowling-green.
For steerage passage at No. 111 Broadway, Trinity Building. CHAS. G. FRANCKLYN, Agent.

NATIONAL LINE.

STEAM TO QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL, From Pier No. 47 North River.

DENMARK, SUMNER, Wednesday, Dec. 13, at 2 P. M
HOLLAND, BRAGG, Saturday, Dec. 16, at 9 A. M.
ENGLAND, ANDREWS, Saturday, Dec. 23, at 1 P. M.

Passage to Liverpool, Queenstown, or London direct: Cabin, $75 and $85, currency; steerage, $28 currency.
Prepaid steerage tickets from Liverpool, Queenstown, Londonderry, Glasgow or London, $32 currency.
For further particulars apply at the Company's office, No. 69 Broadway.
F. W. J. HURST, Manager

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THE NEW DEPARTURES.

FROM GLASGOW.	FROM NEW-YORK.
Saturday, Nov. 18,	ANGLIA, Saturday, Dec. 9.
Saturday, Nov. 25,	COLUMBIA, Saturday, Dec. 16.
Saturday, Dec. 2,	AUSTRALIA, Saturday, Dec. 23.
Saturday, Dec. 9,	EUROPA, Saturday, Dec. 30.

Every WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY thereafter from Pier 20 North River, New-York, at noon.
Rates of passage, payable in currency, to Liverpool, Glasgow or Derry:
First cabins, $65 and $75, according to location.
Cabin excursion tickets good for twelve months, securing best accommodations, $130.
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The splendid vessels on this favorite route for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River as follows:

PEREIRE.....DANRE.....Saturday, Dec. 16
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WASHINGTON.....ROUSSAN.....Saturday, Jan. 13
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PRICE OF PASSAGE IN GOLD (including wine) TO BREST OR HAVRE.

First cabin.....$125 | Second cabin.....$75
Excursion tickets at reduced rates.
These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.
American travelers going to or returning from the Continent of Europe, by taking the steamers of this line, avoid both transit by English railway and the discomforts of crossing the Channel, besides saving time, trouble and expense.
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For STETTIN direct, touching at CHRISTIANSAND and COPENHAGEN to land passengers and mails
The first-class iron steam-ship
HUMBOLDT, Capt. F. BARANDON,
will sail on SATURDAY, Dec. 9, at 2 P. M., from Pier No. 13 North River. To be followed by steam-ship FRANKLIN, Capt. F. DRIES, SATURDAY, Dec. 16.
Cabin Passage, gold, $60. Steerage, gold, $30.
Freight for ST. PETERSBURG and other important ports of the Baltic received, and through bill of lading signed. For freight or passage apply to
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NEW-YORK, CORK AND LIVERPOOL.
NEW AND FULL-POWERED STEAM-SHIPS, THE SIX LARGEST IN THE WORLD,
6,000 tons burden—3,000-horse power each.
Sailing from New-York on SATURDAYS, from Liverpool on THURSDAYS, calling at Cork Harbor each way.

ATLANTIC.....Dec. 16, 10 A. M.
OCEANIC.....Jan. 6, ——

From the White Star Dock, Pavonia Ferry, Jersey City. Passenger accommodations (for all classes) unrivaled, combining
SAFETY, SPEED AND COMFORT.
Saloon, state-rooms, smoking-room and bath-rooms in midship section, where least motion is felt. Surgeons and stewardesses accompany these steamers.
RATES—Saloon, $80, gold steerage, $30, currency. Those wishing to send for friends from the Old country can now obtain steerage prepaid certificates, $33, currency.
Passengers booked to or from all parts of America, Paris, Hamburg, Norway, Sweden, India, Australia, China, &c.
Excursion-tickets granted at lowest rates.
Drafts from £1 upward.
For inspection of plans and other information, apply at the Company's offices, No. 19 Broadway, New-York.
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INMAN LINE FOR QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.

Royal Mail Steamers are appointed to sail as follows:

CITY OF ANTWERP.....Saturday, Dec. 9, 2 P. M.
CITY OF PARIS.....Saturday, Dec. 16, 8 A. M.
CITY OF NEW-YORK.....Saturday, Dec. 23, 2 P. M.
CITY OF BALTIMORE.....Saturday, Dec. 30, 8 A. M.

and each succeeding SATURDAY and THURSDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

Payable in Gold. | Payable in Currency.
First cabin.....$75 | Steerage.....$30
To London.....80 | To London.....35
To Paris.....90 | To Paris.....38

Passengers also booked to Havre, Hamburg, Sweden, Norway and Denmark, at reduced rates.
Tickets can be bought here at moderate rates by persons wishing to send for their friends.
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(VIA QUEENSTOWN.)
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAILS.

THE LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY will dispatch one of their first-class full-power iron-screw steam-ships from PIER NO. 46 NORTH RIVER, EVERY WEDNESDAY, as follows:

WISCONSIN, Capt. T. W. FREEMAN, Dec. 13 at 7½ A.M.
NEVADA, Capt. T. F. FREEMAN....Dec. 20, at 1 P. M.
WYOMING, Capt. WHEREAY.....Dec. 27, at 2½ P.M.
MINNESOTA, Capt. MORGAN.....Jan. 3, at ——
IDAHO, Capt. JAS. PRICE.....Jan. 10, at ——
MANHATTAN, Capt. JAS. PRICE..Jan. 12, at ——

Cabin passage, $80, gold.
Steerage passage, (Office No. 29 Broadway,) $30, currency.
For freight or cabin passage apply to
WILLIAMS & GUION. No. 63 Wall st.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY'S LINE TO

CALIFORNIA, JAPAN AND CHINA,

VIA PANAMA,
CARRYING MAILS, PASSENGERS AND FREIGHT.
KINGSTON, JAMAICA, SANTA MARTHA AND GREYTOWN, AND PACIFIC COAST OF MEXICO, CENTRAL AMERICA, PERU AND CHILI.

Steamers leave 15th and 30th each month, except when those dates fall on Sunday, then the day previous.
Dec. 15.—Steamer RISING STAR, Capt. H. P. CONNER, will leave Pier No. 42 North River, at 12 o'clock noon, for Aspinwall via Kingston, Jamaica touching at Acapulco, Manzanillo and Mazatlan, and connecting at Panama with steamer SACRAMENTO, Capt. ——; also connecting for all Central American and South Pacific ports. Freight for last-named ports received until 4 P. M. of Dec. 13.
Steamer GREAT REPUBLIC will leave San Francisco, Jan. 1, 1872, for Japan and China. For rates of passage, freight and all further information, apply at Company's office on the pier, foot of Canal-st.
F. R. BABY, Agent.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL,
UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.

REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS calling on the 23d of every month.
NORTH AMERICA, Capt. G. B. SLOCUM.....Dec. 23
MERRIMACK, Capt. WIER.....Jan. 23
SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. E. L. THEKLEPAUGH. Feb. 23

These splendid steamers sails on schedule time, and call at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagements of freight or passage apply to
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
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U. S. MAIL TO HAVANA.

ATLANTIC MAIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.
Sailing regularly every THURSDAY, at 3 o'clock P. M. precisely from Pier No. 4 North River.
MORRO CASTLE, Capt. S. G. PORTER, (via Nassau.).....Dec. 14
COLUMBIA, Capt. E. VAN SICE, (via Key West).....Dec. 21
MISSOURI, Capt. T. H. MORTON, (via Nassau).....Dec. 28
For freight or passage apply to
A. W. DIMOCK, President,
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UNITED STATES MAIL TO HAVANA, NASSAU AND KEY WEST.

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NOTICE.—ATLANTIC MAIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.

For the convenience of shippers, a supplementary mail-bag for consignees' letters only to Havana will be closed at this office at 2½ P. M. on sailing days.
No papers or letters will be received on the dock.
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No. 5 Bowling-green.

FOR NASSAU, N. P.

CARRYING THE ROYAL MAILS.
Atlantic Mail Steam-ship Company's steamer MORRO CASTLE, Capt. S. G. PORTER, will sail on THURSDAY, Dec. 14, at 3 o'clock P. M., precisely, from Pier No. 4 North River.
For freight or passage apply to
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THE FLORIDA PORTS, AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST.

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CENTRAL RAILROAD OF GEORGIA AND ATLANTIC AND GULF RAILROAD.
FOUR STEAMERS A WEEK.

TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS AND SATURDAYS.

THE STEAM-SHIPS
SAN SALVADOR, Capt. NICKERSON, SATURDAY, Dec. 9, from Pier No. 8 North River, at 3 P. M.
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green.

MONTGOMERY, Capt. FAIRCLOTH, SATURDAY, Dec. 9, from Pier No. 13 North River, at 3 P. M.
R. LOWDEN, Agent,
No. 93 West-st.

LEO, Capt. DEARBORN, TUESDAY, Dec. 12, from Pier No. 16 East River, at 3 P. M.
MURRAY, FERRIS & CO., Agents.
Nos. 61 and 63 South-st.

GENERAL BARNES, Capt. MALLORY, THURSDAY, Dec. 14, from Pier No. 36 North River, at 3 P. M.
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents,
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Insurance by this line ONE-HALF PER CENT.
Superior accommodations for passengers.
Through rates and bills of lading in connection with the Atlantic and Gulf Freight line.
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HAVANA, PROGRESO AND VERA CRUZ.—New-York and Mexican Mail Steam-ship Line, leaving Pier 17 E. River, at 3 P. M., direct to Havana.
CITY OF MERIDA, Deakon.....Tuesday, Dec. 14
CLEOPATRA, Phillips, (Havana only)..Sat., Dec. 23
CITY OF MEXICO, Timmerman..Wednesday, Jan. 3
CLEOPATRA, Phillips, (Havana only,) Satur., Jan. 13
For freight or passage apply to
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NOTICE TO TRAVELERS.

Families or gentlemen going to travel on the Continent of Europe, who can afford the expense of a courier, should never leave Paris without one. Their services are invaluable in relieving the traveler from multiplicity of cares and troubles respecting passports, examination and conveyance of luggage, in securing the best accommodation, in protecting the traveler from imposition and an infinity of annoyances, to which they are exposed in various parts of the Continent. Competent and trustworthy couriers and traveling servants may always be obtained by applying to the COURIER SOCIETY, No. 3 Rue d'Alger, near the Tuileries Garden, Paris.

FINANCIAL.

Midland Railroad

FIRST MORTGAGE

7 Per Cent. Gold Bonds,

LIMITED TO $20,000 PER MILE ON FINISHED ROAD.

The rapid progress toward completion of this great *Trunk Line* from New-York to the West and to Canada, enables us to offer to investors at **PAR AND INTEREST** a further limited issue of these favorite securities.

Upward of 340 miles of this road, including the New-Jersey section, are already finished, equipped, and in operation; and contracts with responsible parties have been made for its entire completion by the first day of July next. When this shall have been accomplished its earnings cannot fail to be large and highly remunerative, as it has advantages at least equal to those of any of its competitors for both local and through business. It is building for cash, *of which nearly $3,000,000 have been furnished by subscription to its stock at* PAR. The work is substantial, and, including equipment, has not exceeded in cost $50,000 per mile, which is *less than one-third* of the amount at which some of the trunk lines of roads leading from New-York are capitalized, and on which they are paying good dividends.

In view of these facts, the Midland First Mortgage Bonds must be regarded as a first-class security—quite as safe as Governments; and, by making the exchange at the present difference in price, *holders of Midland Bonds will receive 33 per cent. more of revenue upon the amount invested than the holders of Government Bonds.*

For sale or exchange for Governments at their market price, by

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WINSLOW, LANIER & CO., BANKERS,
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OFFER FOR SALE
any part of $1,000,000 GRAND RAPIDS AND INDIANA RAILROAD COMPANY'S FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS, bearing seven per cent. interest, payable in GOLD, free of Government tax, being the balance remaining unsold of the $6,000,000 First Mortgage Bonds. Bonds are also secured by a LAND GRANT of 1,160,000 acres of choice fine timber land. These lands are now being sold under the supervision of Hon. W. A. Howard, of Michigan, and the proceeds thereof applied to the redemption of the bonds. Two hundred and twenty (220) miles of the railroad are now completed and earning sufficient money to pay the interest on the whole issue of bonds. Price ninety and accrued interest. We recommend these bonds to investors as a perfectly safe and desirable security.

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British and Foreign Exchange Office, No. 86 South-st., New-York. Drafts and Exchange on Messrs. Prescott, Grote & Co.'s Bank, London, and on Messrs. Wm. Tapscott & Co., Liverpool, issued at the lowest possible rates, and payable in any part of Great Britain and Ireland, also available on any part of the continent of Europe.
TAPSCOTT, BROS. & CO., No. 86 SOUTH-ST.

REDEMPTION OF BONDS OF THE HOUSTON AND TEXAS CENTRAL RAILWAY COMPANY—EXTENSION OF TIME.—Sealed proposals for the sale of bonds to the two sinking funds will be received until March 1, 1872.
The amount in the sinking fund provided for the redemption of the bonds, secured by mortgage on the main line, is one hundred and twenty thousand ($120,000) dollars.
The amount in the sinking fund provided for the redemption of the bonds, secured by mortgage on the Western Division, is thirty-two thousand ($32,000) dollars.
Proposals should be addressed to the undersigned, and plainly indicate whether the bonds offered are of the main line or of the Western Division.
The bonds offered at lowest price will be purchased, and successful bidders notified without delay.
SHEPHERD KNAPP,
WM. WALTER PHELPS, } Trustees,
No. 26 Exchange-place, New-York City.
DEC. 1, 1871.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the first meeting of the stockholders of the United States Mortgage Company has been called by the corporators thereof to be held at the office of said Company, No. 30 Wall-st., in the City of New-York, on the 30th day of December, 1871, at 11 o'clock A. M., and that the first election of directors will take place at said meeting. By order of the corporators.
B. H. HUTTON, Chairman.
CHARLES TRACY, Secretary.
Dated NEW-YORK, Nov. 28, 1871.

MERCHANTS' NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 6, 1871.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of this bank, for the election of eleven Directors to serve the ensuing year, will be held at the banking-house, TUESDAY, Jan. 9, 1872. Polls open from 12 to 1 P. M., at No. 42 Wall-st.
J. D. VERMILYE, President.

THE CHATHAM NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 6, 1871.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR FIFTEEN DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the banking house, No. 196 Broadway, on TUESDAY, Jan. 9, 1872, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.
GEO. M. HARD, Cashier.

THE CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 8, 1871.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this bank will be held at the banking-rooms, on TUESDAY, Jan. 9, 1872. The polls will be open from 12 o'clock M. until 1 o'clock P. M.
C. F. COLES, Cashier.

NINTH NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 7, 1871.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION OF DIRECTORS of this bank will be held at the banking rooms, Nos. 407 and 409 Broadway, on TUESDAY, the 9th proximo, between the hours of 12 M. and 2 P. M.
JOHN T. HILL, Cashier.

FINANCIAL.

$100,000,000

5-20 BONDS

HAVE BEEN CALLED IN BY THE GOVERNMENT, AND ARE NOW BEING PAID.
Many holders of those securities have been converting them, through us, into the

PEORIA & ROCK ISLAND

First Mortgage

7 Per Cent. Gold Bonds,

thereby adding 95 PER CENT. TO THEIR CAPITAL, and about 45 PER CENT. to their YEARLY INCOME.
We recommend these bonds strongly, for the following reasons:
The Road, ninety-one miles in length, is already **COMPLETED**, and *earning much more than the interest on the whole issue of bonds.*
The mortgage, **$1,500,000**, is less than **$16,500** per mile.
The road passes through a rich, populous, agricultural, manufacturing, and coal district.
It connects Peoria and Rock Island, two of the largest and most flourishing cities in Illinois, and forms part of a trunk-line from Indianapolis to St. Paul—578 miles. It also connects two navigable rivers—the Illinois and Mississippi. The bonds are authorized for the extra equipments and necessary buildings required to do the business now offered.
They are coupon bonds, **$1,000** each, and can be registered if desired.
Interest, seven per cent., gold, free of tax, payable February and August.
Price, **90** and interest, in currency.
Maps and full particulars furnished by

TURNER BROTHERS,
No. 14 Nassau-st., New-York.

FIRST-CLASS
CITY AND COUNTY BONDS,
PAYING FROM

10 TO 12 PER CENT.,

FREE OF ALL TAXES.
INTEREST COUPONS PROMPTLY PAID SEMI-ANNUALLY IN NEW-YORK.
CHOICE SECURITIES OF UNDOUBTED CHARACTER BELOW PAR.

CASH VALUATION OF PROPERTY.....$39,458,601
WHOLE INDEBTEDNESS, (LIMITED,) ONLY.....1,079,000

GOVERNMENT AND OTHER SECURITIES

RECEIVED IN EXCHANGE AT THE BEST RATES, AND BONDS PURCHASED BY OUT-OF-TOWN RESIDENTS SENT BY EXPRESS FREE OF CHARGE.
TRUSTEES, EXECUTORS OF ESTATES, CAPITALISTS, AND OTHERS SEEKING RELIABLE INVESTMENTS, ARE PURCHASING THESE LOANS, AND HOLDERS OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES ARE ALSO CONVERTING INTO THESE BONDS, THEREBY MORE THAN DOUBLING THEIR INCOME.
ALSO, AN EXTENSIVE VARIETY OF OTHER SECURITIES FOR SAFE AND PROFITABLE INVESTMENTS AT LOW RATES, FOR SALE BY

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OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK,
Nos. 261 AND 263 BROADWAY, CORNER OF WARREN-ST.
Capital, - - - - - $1,000,000

Pays Four per Cent. Interest per Annum on Deposit, Subject to Check at Sight.
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ACTS AS TRUSTEE FOR ESTATES, and especially for RAILROAD MORTGAGE BONDS.
D. R. MANGAM, President.
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JAMES MERRELL, Secretary.

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No. 14 Nassau-st., N. Y.,

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Interest allowed on daily balances. Certificates of Deposit issued available at all business centres.
Collections made with prompt returns. Stocks, Bonds, Gold, &c., bought and sold on commission. Advances made on approved securities.
Sight Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers on San Francisco.
Desirable investment securities for sale.

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FOUR PER CENT. interest allowed on current accounts, subject to check at sight.
PRIME INVESTMENTS for trust and other funds always on hand.
INVESTMENT ORDERS promptly executed for Governments, Gold, Bonds and other Securities.
COLLECTIONS WANTED OF CHICAGO, KEOKUK, DES MOINES, IOWA CITY, ST. JOSEPH, and other points in the Western States.
Also agents for the sale of the FIRST MORTGAGE SINKING FUND 6 PER CENT. GOLD BONDS of the Vermont Division of the Portland and Ogdensburg Trunk Railroad line; a favorite New-England security.

NOTICE.

REDEMPTION OF 5-20 BONDS OF 1862.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Dec. 7, 1871.
By virtue of the authority given by an act of Congress approved July 14, 1870, entitled "An Act to authorize the refunding of the national debt," I hereby give notice that the principal and accrued interest of the bonds hereinbelow designated, known as Five-twenty Bonds, will be paid at the Treasury of the United States, in the City of Washington, on and after the 7th day of March, 1872, and that the interest on said bonds will cease on that day. That is to say, coupon bonds known as the SECOND SERIES, act of Feb. 25, 1862, dated May 1, 1862, as follows:
$50 from No. 1 to No. 5,460, both inclusive.
$100 from No. 1 to No. 13,093, both inclusive.
$500 from No. 1 to No. 7,964, both inclusive.
$1,000 from No. 1 to No. 11,120, both inclusive.
And registered bonds of the same act as follows:
$50 from No. 501 to No. 697, both inclusive.
$100 from No. 4,104 to No. 5,079, both inclusive.
$500 from No. 1,900 to No. 2,483, both inclusive.
$1,000 from No. 8,907 to No. 11,048, both inclusive.
$5,000 from No. 2,666 to No. 3,402, both inclusive.
$10,000 from No. 2,907 to No. 3,899, both inclusive.
Of the amount outstanding, (embraced in the numbers as above,) sixteen million ($16,000,000) dollars are coupon bonds and four million ($4,000,000) dollars are registered bonds.
Coupon bonds of the act of Feb. 25, 1862, were issued in four distinct series. Bonds of the first series (all of which have been previously called for redemption) do not bear the series designation upon them, while those of the SECOND, third, and fourth series are distinctly marked on the face of the bonds.
United States securities forwarded for redemption should be addressed to the "LOAN DIVISION," Secretary's Office, and all registered bonds should be "assigned to the Secretary of the Treasury for redemption."
GEO. S. BOUTWELL, Secretary.

MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE NATIONAL BANK, No. 257 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 9, 1871.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this bank will be held at the banking-house, on TUESDAY, the 9th day of January next, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.
A. S. AFGAR, Cashier.

FIRE INSURANCE STOCKS WANTED by
W. A. BAILEY, No. 65 Wall-st.

HORSES AND CARRIAGES.

SLEIGHS. SLEIGHS. SLEIGHS.

SLEIGHS, SLEIGHS, SLEIGHS, SLEIGHS, SLEIGHS, SLEIGHS.
500 sleighs, all styles, pony, six seat, swell, Portland, &c., from $30 up; the largest assortment in the City. Robes, bells, &c. Empire City Repository.
WM. H. GRAY, Nos. 20 and 22 Wooster-st.

SLEIGHS.—DEXTER SLEIGH-BELLS, sleighs, all styles, new and second-hand; lowest popular prices; several left over from last season cheap, at MANUFACTURERS' UNION REPOSITORY, No. 638 Broadway.

$50.—ELEGANT HAND-MADE worsted carriage robe, buffalo, bear, Angora and plush robes, blankets, cloaking, braces, at great bargains. No. 103 Chambers-st.

FOR SALE.—ROCKAWAYS, COUPES phaetons, buggies and road wagons, new and second hand; cheapest in the City.
DAY & SON'S Factory, 146 and 148 Eldridge-st.

A LIGHT COUPE, COUPE ROCKAWAYS, six-seat Westchesters, phaetons and every other style carriages, new and second-hand, at very lowest popular prices. MANUFACTURERS' UNION, No. 638 Broadway.

HORSE-BLANKETS, $1 50; BUFFALO, black bear, red fox, kangaroo, fur and plush carriage robes; great bargains. No. 103 Chambers-st.

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OF
BROOKLYN, NEW-YORK?
OFFICES:
NOS. 12 AND 14 COURT-ST., BROOKLYN, AND NO. 178 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK.

STEPHEN CROWELL, President.
CHAUNCEY BEDELL, Vice-President.
WM. R. CROWELL, Marine Secretary.
DAN. F. FERNALD, Secretary Brooklyn Dept.

CASH CAPITAL . . . $1,000,000.

Gross assets, Nov. 1, 1871.....$1,922,075 31
LIABILITIES.
Unpaid Chicago losses.....$297,669 27
Other losses outside of Chicago. 112,759 93— 410,429 20
Amount of assets subject to pay future losses.....$1,511,646 11

Date of Organization of the Company, September, 1853.

AGGREGATE LOSSES PAID SINCE ORGANIZATION OVER

SEVEN MILLION DOLLARS.

The Company has agencies in the principal cities and towns in the United States.
PHILANDER SHAW, Secretary.

THE LYCOMING FIRE INS. CO.,

OF MUNCY, PENN.,
Has paid $100,000 of losses maturing in Pennsylvania during the past twenty days. It has also paid $15,000 of Chicago losses, and will pay during December

$100,000

more of its Chicago losses, already adjusted and falling due during this month. In addition to the above, the Company will also, during December, discount from

$50,000 TO $75,000

of Chicago losses maturing in January.
Had it not been for some resistance among the mutual members in Pennsylvania to Assessment No. 29 of 12½ per cent., inspired chiefly by the efforts of agents of competing companies, the managers of the Company could have paid every dollar of Chicago and other losses during the month of December.
Notwithstanding any and all embarrassments thrown in its way, this Company WILL, as it ALWAYS HAS done, meet every engagement promptly, and to the entire satisfaction of its policy-holders.
It also deems it of far more importance to the welfare of the community at large to promptly pay over to claimants all moneys received, rather than retain a cash fund in order to satisfy the various State Departments.
Assets.....$6,639,379 66
Losses paid to date, over.....4,000,000 00

J. W. CHAMBERLIN & CO.,
GENERAL AGENTS, EASTERN DEPARTMENT.
NO. 243 BROADWAY.

FINANCIAL.

Montclair Railway

OF

NEW-JERSEY,

(NOW NEARLY COMPLETED.)

7 PER CENT

FIRST MORTGAGE

GOLD BONDS,

INDORSED BY THE N. Y. & O. MIDLAND CO.,
MAY BE HAD BY APPLICATION TO
LEONARD, SHELDON & FOSTER,
NO. 10 WALL-ST.,
AND THE
MONTCLAIR RAILWAY CO.,
NO. 25 NASSAU-ST.

GEORGE OPDYKE & CO.,

BANKERS, NO 25 NASSAU-ST.,
offer for sale the following desirable securities:
New-York and Oswego Midland Railroad First Mortgage 7 per cent. Gold Bonds at par and interest.
New-Jersey Midland Railroad First Mortgage 7 per cent. Gold Bonds, (guaranteed by the New-York and Oswego Midland Railroad,) at 95 and interest.
The Syracuse and Chenango Valley Railroad First Mortgage 7 per cent. Gold Bonds, at 95 and interest.
St. Louis and South-eastern Railway First Mortgage 7 per cent. Gold Bonds, at 95 and interest.
Montgomery and Eufaula Railroad First Mortgage 8 per cent. Gold Bonds, indorsed by the State of Alabama, at 95 and interest.
Missouri, Iowa and Nebraska Railway First Mortgage 7 per cent. Gold Bonds, at 90 and interest.
Indianapolis and Vincennes Railroad Second Mortgage 6 per cent. Bonds, (guaranteed by Pennsylvania Railroad,) at 80 and interest.
Hamilton County, Illinois, 7 per cent. Bonds, at 82½ and interest.
Jefferson, Texas, 10 per cent. Bonds, (issued for municipal purposes,) at 92½ and interest.
Also agents for the sale of the FIRST MORTGAGE SINKING FUND 6 PER CENT. GOLD BONDS of the Vermont Division of the Portland and Ogdensburg Trunk Railroad line; a favorite New-England security.

NOTICE.

REDEMPTION OF 5-20 BONDS OF 1862.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Dec. 7, 1871.
By virtue of the authority given by an act of Congress approved July 14, 1870, entitled "An Act to authorize the refunding of the national debt," I hereby give notice that the principal and accrued interest of the bonds hereinbelow designated, known as Five-twenty Bonds, will be paid at the Treasury of the United States, in the City of Washington, on and after the 7th day of March, 1872, and that the interest on said bonds will cease on that day. That is to say, coupon bonds known as the SECOND SERIES, act of Feb. 25, 1862, dated May 1, 1862, as follows:
$50 from No. 1 to No. 5,460, both inclusive.
$100 from No. 1 to No. 13,093, both inclusive.
$500 from No. 1 to No. 7,964, both inclusive.
$1,000 from No. 1 to No. 11,120, both inclusive.
And registered bonds of the same act as follows:
$50 from No. 501 to No. 697, both inclusive.
$100 from No. 4,104 to No. 5,079, both inclusive.
$500 from No. 1,900 to No. 2,483, both inclusive.
$1,000 from No. 8,907 to No. 11,048, both inclusive.
$5,000 from No. 2,666 to No. 3,402, both inclusive.
$10,000 from No. 2,907 to No. 3,899, both inclusive.
Of the amount outstanding, (embraced in the numbers as above,) sixteen million ($16,000,000) dollars are coupon bonds and four million ($4,000,000) dollars are registered bonds.
Coupon bonds of the act of Feb. 25, 1862, were issued in four distinct series. Bonds of the first series (all of which have been previously called for redemption) do not bear the series designation upon them, while those of the SECOND, third, and fourth series are distinctly marked on the face of the bonds.
United States securities forwarded for redemption should be addressed to the "LOAN DIVISION," Secretary's Office, and all registered bonds should be "assigned to the Secretary of the Treasury for redemption."
GEO. S. BOUTWELL, Secretary.

AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
On 14th-st.
Messrs. MAURICE and MAX STRAKOSCH, in respectfully thanking the public of New-York and vicinity for the very liberal patronage accorded to them, and encouraged by the unprecedented success of
Mlle. CHRISTINA NILSSON
and all the members of the
STRAKOSCH GRAND ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY,
have concluded to accede to the generally expressed desire of a large number of their patrons (to defer their departure for Philadelphia) for a few additional operatic representations. They will therefore give
THREE (3) MORE GRAND OPERA NIGHTS,
the first of which will be on
MONDAY EVENING NEXT, Dec. 11, 1871,
at 8 o'clock,
when the most brilliant operatic success of the period, Mons. Ambroise Thomas' new opera,
MIGNON,
will be performed, with its now famous Cast, New Scenery, New Dresses, &c., with
Mlle. CHRISTINA NILSSON.....as.....MIGNON
Mlle. LEON DUVAL.....as.....FILINA
Mlle. RONCONI.....as.....FEDERICO
M. VICTOR CAPOUL.....as.....GUGLIELMO
M. JOSEF JAMET.....as.....LOTARIO
MAX MARETZEK, Musical Director and Conductor
Seats now at the Academy, also, Nos. 701 and 114 Broadway.
Subscribers will please notify the management at the box-office of the Academy during THE DAY, if they wish to retain their boxes.

ACADEMY.—FRA DIAVOLO MATINEE. THIS DAY.
THIS, SATURDAY, Dec. 9, at 1½ P. M.,
FRA DIAVOLO,
With the following excellent cast:
Mons. VICTOR CAPOUL, for the first time as Fra Diavolo, in which role he created so great a sensation in Paris three hundred consecutive nights, and Mlle. LEON DUVAL, for the first time in New-York.....as.....Zerlina
Miss ANNIE LOUISE CARY, for the first time in New-York.....as.....Lady Allcash
Signor RONCONI.....as.....Lord Allcash
REICHARDT, COLETTI, BARILI, &c.
MAX MARETZEK, Musical Director and Conductor
Admission to this matinée, $1; reserved seats, $1 extra.
Seats can now be secured at the Academy, also at Nos. 701 and 114 Broadway.

UNION-SQUARE THEATRE.
R. W. BUTLER.....MANAGER
NEW ACTS. NEW FEATURES.
THE GREAT OLIO COMPANY.
THE WONDERFUL GYMNASTS.
THE FAIRY FOUNTAIN.
THE GRAND BALLET, AND CELEBRATED PANTOMIME TROUPE OF
IN A SUPERB BILL EVERY EVENING.
MATINEE, WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY at 2½.

AIMEE'S OPERA BOUFFE,
No. 720 Broadway.
SUCCESS OF LE PONT DES SOUPIRS.
AIMEE'S CRAZY SONG—Assassination Scene—Moonlight Serenaders—Grand Carnival—The Sobbing Chorus. SATURDAY MATINEE at 2 P. M.

DAN BRYANT'S, 23D-ST.
CROWDED NIGHTLY
with fashionable and delighted AUDIENCES.
EVERY EVENING AT EIGHT

NEW-YORK CIRCUS.
14th-st., opposite Academy of Music

BROOKLYN NEWS.

The Election Frauds—Conclusion of the Trial of the Inspectors—The Jury Disagree.

The trial of WELDON, McGIFF and SHANDLEY, Inspectors of Election of the First District of the Sixth Ward was continued in the criminal branch of the City Court yesterday. The evidence of several persons was taken, who swore that they voted at an early hour, when, as appears from the poll list, their names were between 500 and 600 on the list. The prosecution then rested, and Mr. DORR opened the case for the defendant, WELDON, stating that he proposed to show what Mr. WELDON did during the day. He left his house about 6½ o'clock, and on getting to the polling place it was not open. Finding there were neither pasters nor canvassers there on behalf of the Republican Party, he went away for about ten minutes in order to see about them. On returning he found the other inspectors there and everything in working order. During a short absence he called Mr. PACKARD to take his place, and on the closing of the polls the boxes were sealed at his request. As far as he knew, the votes when canvassed were canvassed honestly.

Mr. BARNARD, on behalf of the other defendants then sketched the line of defense which he proposed to adopt, saying that so far every one had testified that not a ballot was put in the box excepting those which were handed to the inspectors by voters. He proposed to show, from the testimony of all the parties connected with the election in that district, that when the polls opened the poll lists were on the table, and after an interval of six or seven hours the defendants subscribed their names to what they believed and were told were the poll lists which had been used. He also proposed to show that, when the polls opened, there were no tickets in the boxes, and none were put in except such as were handed to the Inspectors by regular voters, and then, when the votes were canvassed, he should show that no ballots were canvassed excepting those emptied out of the box. From the testimony of Mr. THOMAS, Ex-Deputy County Clerk, and from that of the copyist, he should show that these first 500 names were not all in one handwriting as had been said, but they were in two if not more. Even if the poll lists should be proved to be false, the defendants had nothing to do with them; their duty was simply to receive ballots from voters and put them in the box.

MICHAEL J. WALDON, one of the defendants, was placed upon the stand and testified: I acted as inspector of election at the First District of the Sixth Ward; I got there a little after six; no votes were counted except those which came out of the boxes, and I saw no tickets put into the boxes except those handed to the inspectors; I had charge of the Assembly and Judiciary boxes; the State box was in front of Mr. MCGIFF; the others were in charge of Mr. SHANLEY.

Cross-examination by Mr. MORRIS—I did not see anything suspicious, but I thought there was a little repeating, and think I challenged five or six, and they would not swear in, but went away; I had become familiar with the countenances of some of the voters in that district, but did not know them all; I saw a great many strange faces there; more than I had seen at previous elections; I had no idea what number of votes I had taken in; about eleven o'clock I asked the poll clerks how many votes had been put in; they said, "It was pretty heavy;" I asked, out of curiosity; that was the only time I asked, and they said then "It was pretty heavy, but they had not counted;" the inspector sung out the names; the clerks were further off from Mr. MCGIFF than I was; I did not hear the names of ANDREW J. GARVEY, AUGUST BELMONT, OWEN HAND or GEORGE DAWS called out; I have told Mr. SHAUKMAN that some of the glasses were turned out and some were not; I gave him a history of what I did during the day when I went to the meeting-place corner of Ingraham and Clinton streets; he asked me if the box had been stuffed, and I said "no;" I might have told him the boxes were placed with the glasses together to keep them from being broken; I have no distinct recollection of saying so; I might have been told so by Mr. MCGIFF.

Q.—Did he say so? A.—He did; that did not strike me as a little strange; it did not excite my suspicion at all.

To Mr. DOW—I have lived in the Sixth Ward since 1865, but have been absent temporarily; Mr. MCGIFF was in front of the window where the glass was broken out; that was one of the reasons why I could not see voters as well as Mr. MCGIFF; when the poll-list was handed to me I signed it as a matter of routine; I did not pay any special attention to the names as they were called out; Mr. SHAURMAN was very angry and said he would have me indicted if I could not account for this 1,300 votes; I told him as far as I knew it was honest; he said I was a pretty d—d Republican to go down there and do that sort of thing;" I told him to go down there the next time and do better if he could; I told him that some of the boxes had the wooden sides out and some of them not; Mr. MCGIFF told me early in the morning that it was to prevent the glasses getting broken.

To a JUROR—I could have looked in the box; Mr. MCGIFF was standing opposite those in front of me; I could not look in, the wood portion was standing me.

To Mr. MORRIS—My opinion is that it was about nine o'clock when Mr. MCGIFF told me about the boxes.

THOMAS MCGIFF, one of the Democratic inspectors on trial, testified as follows:

I got to the polling-place about half-past six o'clock, and found Messrs. DUNNE and MCKENNA there; three ballot-boxes were placed in position; those in front were visible, but the others could not be seen, because the window was not wide enough.

Cross-examined by Mr. MORRIS—Not a word about the glass getting broken was passed between me and WELDON; Alderman DUNNE is mistaken in saying the glasses of the boxes in front of me were turned in; I did not pay much attention to what the Alderman testified to; I generally mind my own business, and did not pay much attention to what WELDON said.

JOHN J. SHANDLEY, another of the inspectors, after corroborating what had been testified to by other witnesses for the defense, said: The voting was brisk all the day; at the closing of the canvassing Mr. CAMPBELL passed some documents to us and we signed them; I did not look inside at all.

Cross-examination by Mr. MORRIS—Before commencing to canvass, the ballots were compared with the poll-lists and made to agree; the clerks gave us the numbers; there were two or three votes in excess in the State box; I did not hear MCGIFF tell WELDON anything about the boxes being placed in position to prevent the glasses being broken; the voting that day was unusually rapid; it did not attract my attention on account of my want of experience; along about eleven o'clock MCGIFF said to WELDON there was a heavy vote coming in; some of the boxes were placed wrong side out, to give them room on the shelf; I did not think it right, but did not say anything to the other inspectors about it; the voters could see every box, the view was not obstructed at all, for when the door closed there was the glass of the window. [The poll-list was handed to the witness, and he recognized many of the names as those of people living in that district.] I have no recollection what time I voted; it was after ten o'clock.

Q.—Will you please explain how it is your name comes here sixth on the list? A.—That is not my name, it is a man of the same name who lives in that district.

This testimony concluded the case for the defense, and the case was summed up on both sides, after which the Court charged the jury that the law in the case was plain, and it was their duty to consider all the facts, remembering that the purity of the ballot-box must be maintained or we must wind up our Government. The jury retired about 4 o'clock to deliberate on their verdict.

The indications last evening were that the jury in the cases of the election frauds had been packed in some way, and that the trial would result in nothing because of a disagreement of the jury. The evidence which was submitted was clear enough, and pointed directly to the guilty parties, and the defense set up was generally of the most flimsy character. After the jury had been out about three hours they came into Court and announced that there was no probability of their agreeing. The Court ordered them to return to their room and consider the quest.on further. It was reported by the foreman to the Court that the jury stood eleven for conviction to one for acquittal, and that this solitary one had declared, as soon as he entered the jury-room, that he would not agree upon any verdict that might be offered, and this declaration was made before a word of discussion upon the merits of the case had been uttered. The jury were sent out again, and at 11½ o'clock were sent for by the Court. The foreman stated that there was no probability of their agreeing, and they were thereupon discharged. The bail of the prisoners was raised to $5,000 each, and a new trial was ordered for Thursday morning next. The name of the juror who stood out for acquittal is O'NEIL.

The Tax-office and the Committee of Fifty.

The following is the answer of Collector BADEAU to the application of the Committee of Fifty for information in regard to the operations of his office:

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS,
ROOM NO. 7, CITY HALL,
BROOKLYN, N. Y., Dec. 6.

Julian Allen, Esq., Chairman Subcommittee of Fifty:

DEAR SIR: Yours of the 5th inst. is at hand. In reply I beg leave to state that the whole amount of money received in this office from the 18th day of October, 1871, to date is $3,757,513 50, of which there was paid to the City Treasurer, on account of the Board of Education, $651,700; on account of City tax, $2,350,316 96; on account of tax, 1870, (arrears,) $124,-924 52; on account of assessments, $323,312 55; on account of fees, default, interest and advertising, $17,-626 29; paid County Treasurer on account of tax 1871, $185,790 78; paid purchasers on account of redemption of lands sold for unpaid taxes, $47,552 26. In the several sums paid City Treasurer is included $101,413 20, being three per cent. collection fees on $3,481,853 23, which is credited to the Revenue Fund. Respectfully,

ISAAC BADEAU, Collector.

Brief Notes.

The contractor for the removal of offal has been directed by the Health Board to refrain from depositing offal on the dock at the foot of Division-avenue.

The Mayor has issued a proclamation offering a reward of $250 for the recovery of the poll-lists of the First District, Sixth Ward, and $500 for the conviction of the thief.

St. Luke's German Evangelical Church contributed $48 to the sufferers by the fires in Michigan and Wisconsin, which amount was placed in the hands of the Mayor yesterday.

CHARLES ROBERTS and GEORGE CARTER, sneak-thieves, were arrested, on Thursday night, in the act of emerging from the house of Mr. ASA DIKEMAN, No. 327 South Second-street. They had stolen a pair of gold spectacles, a bracelet, and other articles of ornament.

Justice PRATT, of the Supreme Court, yesterday continued the injunction against the offal contractors, restraining them from using the dock at Division-avenue. The injunction is continued on plaintiff's stipulation to take short notice of trial, and to proceed from day to day, with leave to defendant to move to modify the injunction on plea of public health.

There are in the possession of the Long Island Historical Society two miniature likenesses—one of GEORGE WASHINGTON, taken about the time of the siege of Boston, and the other of his wife, painted just before her husband was elected President. The pictures are family relics, and have never before been out of the possession of the family, to whom they descended as heir-looms. They were given by Gen. WASHINGTON to his sister, Mrs. BETTIE CARTER, and by her to her daughter, and from thence they have fallen by inheritance into the hands of their present owners. These miniatures have been placed in the care of the Long Island Historical Society temporarily for exhibition, and they are for sale.

ALDERMAN "JIM" IRVING.

Close of the Trial for Assaulting a Deputy Marshal—The Jury Disagree—Ten for a Conviction—A New Trial to be Had.

The trial of Alderman JAMES IRVING for assaulting Deputy Marshal DOWLEY, while the latter was in the discharge of his duty, was brought to a conclusion yesterday in the United States Circuit Court. After several witnesses for the defense had been examined, the case was summed up for the defense by Ex-Judge FULLERTON, and for the prosecution by Ex-District-Attorney PIERREPONT.

Judge BENEDICT, in charging the jury, said that the utmost punishment for the crime alleged against IRVING was two years' imprisonment and $3,000 fine. Such a penalty had been imposed in order to protect the officers of the law. He said there was no question of politics or any other cognate question in the case. It was simply a question of fact, on the evidence, for the jury to determine.

The jury retired at 5 P. M., but returned in about half an hour and announced through their foreman that they were unable to agree. Immediately after the announcement, PRESERVED GAGE, proprietor of a policy-shop on Washington-square, whispered something to the foreman, who rose and said that it was impossible to agree. GAGE's act was noticed by the spectators, and one of IRVING's intimate friends designated him as a "good square fellow." A recess was taken until 10 o'clock last evening, at which time the jury was again brought into Court, and the foreman stated that it was impossible to agree on a verdict. The jury was then discharged, and IRVING was held for a new trial, which will probably take place next week. It was understood that the jury stood ten for conviction and two for acquittal. PRESERVED GAGE and SELAH H. HILL, of No. 801 Washington-street, were the two jurymen in favor of an acquittal. It was learned from one of the clerks of the Court that GAGE's name was taken from the Directory, and placed on the petit jury list, under the impression that he was a broker, because his occupation was given as "exchange."

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW-YORK.

Judge S. CARSON, of Westchester County, is at the Huron House.

Senator JOHN MURPHY, of Buffalo, is at the Madison-avenue Hotel.

The thermometer, yesterday, ranged as follows: At 7 A. M. 36°, at noon 45°, at 3 P. M. 43°, and at 6 P. M. 37°.

Gen. INNIS N. PALMER, of the United States Army, and Gen. E. L. VIELE, of Connecticut, are at the Glenham Hotel.

The Equity Calendar, in the United States Circuit Court, was adjourned by Judge BLATCHFORD yesterday, until Monday.

Gen. CLUSERET arrived here in the *Russia*, Thursday, and left yesterday for Mexico, to take a command in the army of JUAREZ.

Hon. ERASTUS CORNING, of Albany; Hon. F. N. DRAKE, of Corning, and R. S. PEABODY, of Vermont, are at the Fifth-avenue Hotel.

The Five Points House of Industry will thankfully receive donations of dolls, toys, &c., for Christmas gifts for over 400 children.

Judge EDWIN F. JOHNSON, of Middletown, Conn., and Gen. R. STEWART, and Col. O. GRIDLEY, of Washington, are at the Sturtevant House.

The Prescription Clerks are in favor of the present law regulating the sale of drugs, which, they say, if not perfect, is a step in the right direction.

The Fortuna Fort Bildungs Verein, a German literary association, gave its first annual ball at Irving Hall last night, which was quite a select affair.

HUGH MCGIBBON, aged eight years, died, yesterday, at the residence of his parents, No. 426 First-avenue, of injuries received by being run over by a truck.

Patrolman GLENING, of the Thirtieth Precinct, while at dinner yesterday was shot in the hip and slightly wounded by the accidental discharge of his pistol.

The Fifteenth Assembly District Republican Association held a meeting last night, but transacted no business beyond reading the minutes and admitting some new members.

It is stated that the Committee appointed by the Chamber of Commerce, the Produce Exchange and other associations, will act together in reference to the Quarantine abuses.

Ex-Postmaster-General A. W. RANDALL, of Elmira; Ex-Mayor W. G. FARGO, of Buffalo; Hon. EZRA CORNELL, of Ithaca, and GEO. F. GOFF, of Washington, are at the Astor House.

THOMAS R. MCDERMOTT died yesterday at No. 239 West Tenth-street, from injuries received on Nov. 21st by a collision between a truck and an Eighth-avenue car on which he was riding.

An interesting lecture on the life of FRANKLIN was delivered last evening by Judge H. C. VAN VOORST, before the pupils of Male Evening School No. 36. School Inspector MILLS presided.

A number of Germans, resident in the Tenth Ward, are engaged in a movement to establish a German school institute in that district on the plan of the German school of the Nineteenth Ward.

Judge R. HITCHCOCK, of Ohio; Judge BARTLEY, of Washington; Gen. A. S. DIVEN, of Elmira; Hon. N. P. LANGFORD, of Montana, and Hon. C. F. YOUNG, of Scranton, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel.

The members of the Jewish congregation Sherseth Israel were engaged in their annual Shebath Chenuke ball at Concordia Hall, in Avenue A, last night, which was fully enjoyed by all participating.

At a meeting of the Fourteenth Assembly District Republican Association, last evening, it was resolved to meet on Thursday evenings during the present month, for the purpose of enrolling members.

The next lecture in the free course of scientific lectures for the people, at the Cooper Union, will take place this evening. Subject—"The Birthday and Early Life of Our Earth." Lecturer, Dr. A. J. EBELL.

The German Reform organization of the Eleventh Ward have elected the following delegates to the German Central Committee: Messrs. George Wandel, Louis Kurtz, Christian Sutter, Henry Klein and Jacob Bischof.

Dr. LORD last night delivered a lecture at Association Hall, before a large audience, on the subject of "Mohammed and Saracenic Conquests." The lecture proved highly interesting, and was heard with marked attention.

The release of GEORGE WENDLEKEN, alias "Dutch George," a well-known counterfeiter, who was confined at Ludlow-street Jail, was effected yesterday, by the accused furnishing bail in $1,000 before Commissioner SHIELDS.

The remains of an unknown man were found, yesterday, in the East River, at Pier No. 6, and were sent to the Morgue to await an inquest. A silver-cased watch marked R. DEMILL, No. 54,888, was found upon the body.

In the case of JOHN LETILE, convicted of highway robbery on Thursday, and sentenced to twenty years imprisonment, Recorder HACKETT yesterday, granted a new trial on the ground that new evidence had been obtained.

The first intimation had by the Post-office authorities that the Atlantic Mail Steamship Company would not allow the steamer *Missouri* to carry New-York papers to Havana, was received through the morning journals of yesterday.

The fifteenth anniversary reception of Mr. JOHN WOOD's gymnastic academy took place at No. 6 East Twenty-eighth-street, last evening. The entertainment was well attended, and the exercises were of a very interesting character.

In the marter of certain bequests made by BENJAMIN OGDEN, who died in 1807, Judge BARNARD yesterday declared them void, on the ground that there was no time specified in the will for the performance of certain acts mentioned therein.

At 5 o'clock yesterday morning a fire occurred in the premises of J. L. TRACY & SON, shoe manufacturers, on the fourth floor of No. 48 Warren-street. Damage of $5,000 to stock and same amount to the building; both covered by insurance.

The Hebrew Feast of Chamukal or Maccabees, which began Thursday night, was observed by special services in the various synagogues last evening. It is a purely religious feast, and will continue eight days, ending on Friday next at sunset.

The body of an unknown man, aged thirty years, was brought to the Morgue last night from Pier No. 39, North River. Height, 5 feet 8 inches; has brown hair, and wore a blue sack coat, vest and pantaloons, green striped shirt, white cotton undershirt and boots.

Ex-Judge EMOTT lies seriously ill at his house, No. 4 East Thirty-eighth-street. He is suffering from congestion of the brain and paralysis, with which he was attacked on Saturday evening. His physicians have strong hopes of his recovery, but allow no one except his family to see him.

Twenty-six policemen were arraigned yesterday before Commissioner BOSWORTH, and among them was Sergt. JOHN H. MCCULLOUGH, in charge of the Grand Central Depot, who was charged with using insulting and threatening language to JOHN ELLIS. The case was referred to the Board.

FELIX MURPHY, eighteen years of age, hall-boy at the Routledge House, No. 834 Broadway, was yesterday arraigned before Justice COX, on a charge of having stolen $170 from the proprietor. The money was found in his cap. He acknowledged his guilt, and was fully committed.

A telegram from Omaha to the General Agent of the Union and Central Pacific Railroad line in this City, states that "there has been some delay caused by the late storms and extremely cold weather. The road is now clear, and trains are running over the whole line on time."

Yesterday Mr. BERGH had a case in Essex Market against PATRICK CARR, for cruelty to animals, which Justice COX dismissed. Mr. BERGH not being present when the case was called, but he soon after arrived, and lectured Justice COX for his discourtesy in not postponing the case.

The German Reform Association of the Eighth Assembly District, Tenth Ward, last night elected FRANZ FREY Treasurer, and also the following delegates to the Central Committee: William Gellmann, Col. Senges, August Koch, Dr. Carl Stein, Major J. J. Diehl and Ferdinand Appel.

Rev. J. A. M. CHAPMAN, of Williamsburg, (formerly of Boston,) will address a public meeting of the New-York City Church Extension and Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, to be held in Trinity M. E. Church, Thirty-fourth street, near Eighth-avenue, to-morrow (Sunday) evening, at 7½ o'clock.

The hearing of the case of the Erie Railway and the English bondholders, the petition of JAS. H. COLEMAN, for Receiver's fees, the petition of JAY GOULD, and the action to attach the President of the railway, for not complying with the instructions of the master, were adjourned until the 15th inst.

Paddy BURNS is suing the Liverpool and Great Western Insurance Company for injuries caused by falling into the hold of the vessel on which he was a passenger, while descending for a portion of his baggage. The case is still on trial in the Court of Common Pleas, before Judge JOSEPH F. DALY.

The body of an unknown man (supposed to be W. F. RAMSAY, of Albany) was brought to the Morgue, last night, from Pier No. 4 East Fifteenth, five feet six inches; had brown hair and moustache; had on blue overcoat, black coat and vest, dark mixed pants, white muslin shirt, grey under-shirt, and boots.

A very amusing case came up yesterday in the Marine Court, Part II., before Justice SHEA. AH-CHOW, a little Chinaman, sued AH-HOW to recover damages for assault and battery. Judge SHEA thought it was case for a criminal court, but as he had the advantage of hearing it, he awarded $20 damages.

JOHN DONLEY, aged twelve years, who lived at No. 533 West Fifty-first-street, when riding on an upward bound freight-train on the Hudson River Railroad last evening, fell off at Eleventh-avenue and Forty-second-street, and was instantly killed. The remains were taken to the Twenty-second Precinct Station-house.

A young man named CARPENTER, who recently forged his employer's name to a Post-office money-order, and who forfeited his father's bond by running away, was re-arrested at Lansingburg, New-York, by Deputy-Marshal TURVEY and brought to this city, yesterday. He was sent to Ludlow-street Jail by Commissioner SHIELDS.

At the meeting of the Board of Managers of the Bible Society, on Thursday afternoon, communications were read from various foreign missions, and 7,295 volumes were granted to different charitable and missionary institutions. Seven thousand dollars was voted for Bible work in France, in addition to $42,000 previously granted.

At a meeting of the Seventeenth Assembly District Republican Association, last night, Col. JOEL W. MASON presiding, a resolution was unanimously adopted to the effect that the message of President U. S. GRANT, to Congress, meets with their hearty approval, being honest, just but firm, and is one of the most statesman-like productions ever submitted to Congress.

The New-York City Church Extension and Missionary Society of the M. E. Church held a meeting yesterday at No. 805 Broadway. J. M. CORNELL presided. Rev. D. L. MARKS and Rev. WM. ROSS read reports showing a steady increase in the work, and the prosperous condition of the Society. The Finance Committee reported the following collections: St. Paul's, $9,000; St. Luke's, $5,500; Washington-square, $3,500; St. James', $600.

The festival of the Immaculate Conception was celebrated in the Catholic Churches yesterday. At St. Patrick's Cathedral the ceremonies were highly interesting and impressive. There was mass from 6 to 9 o'clock in the morning, and at 10½ high mass was celebrated, the officiating clergyman being Rev. Father KEARNEY, assisted by Fathers MCNAMEE and MCNIERNAY. At the close Archbishop MCCLOSKEY pronounced the benediction.

LONG ISLAND.

Mrs. OWENS, a resident of Farmingdale, died on Thursday from the effects of an overdose of opium.

The citizens of Huntington have determined to sell the Town Poor-house and Farm, and send the poor to the Yaphank Poor-house.

CALVIN COOK, a veteran of the war of 1812, died on Tuesday, at Baiting Hollow, at the advanced age of eighty-two. He was a native of Long Island. His wife still survives.

Wednesday night CHAS. JONES, a prisoner in the Suffolk County jail, attempted to escape. He took a brake, St. George, N. Y., Fred Frye & Co.; Traveller, Hodges, Musquito Inlet, Florida, Thomas, Holmes & Co.; Libby Worthley, Compton, Washington, N. C., Thomas, Holmes & Co.; Carrie S. Webb, Brewster, Bull Creek, Bentley, Miller & Co.

Arrived.

Steam-ship Titian, (Br.,) Buchanan, Sydney, C. B., 6 ds., with coal to the International Coal and Railway Co.—vessel to Bruce & Co. 4th inst., off Little Gull Island, collided with schr. Daniel Williams, (of Rockland,) Capt. Miller, from New-York, for Boston. The night was dark and cloudy, with clear horizon and strong W. wind. The schr. was struck amidship, on the starboard side, and went down in 5 minutes after collision. Boats were lowered and every effort made for 2 hours to rescue the crew, all of whom were saved, with the exception of one seaman named Michael Rawley, of Hope, Me. The Captain's son stated that he saw the man sink, evidently exhausted from his struggles in the water. The steamer had a hole some 12 in. bore in her port bow, and fore-compartments filled with water to sea level.

Steam-ship Denmark, (Br.,) Sumner, Liverpool Nov. 22, and Queenstown 23d, with mdse. and passengers to F. W. J. Hurst. First part, easterly winds, latter part, strong westerly winds and heavy sea. Dec. 6, lat. 40 40, lon. 67 18, exchanged night signals with Hamburg steam-ship, bound E.; 7th, lat. 40 31, lon. 70 25, passed a Guion steam-ship, do. The D. brings 229 passengers.

Steam-ship City of Galveston, Eldridge, Galveston Nov. 29, via Key West Dec. 3, with mdse. and passengers to C. H. Mallory & Co.

Steam-ship James Adger, Lockwood, Charleston, S. C., Nov. 5, with mdse. to Henry R. Morgan & Co.

Steam-ship Leo, Dearborn, Savannah Dec. 5, with mdse. and passengers to Murray, Ferris & Co.

Steam-ship Hatteras, Lawrence, Norfolk, with mdse. and passengers to Old Dominion Steam-ship Co.

Bark Irma, (of Barbados,) Cummings, Nassau 10 ds., with old iron to Montell & Bartow. The Irma was from Baltimore, for Aspinwall, loaded with coal; put into Nassau for temporary repairs to enable her to reach this port; left in port schr. F. St. Clair, Edwards, for—New-York in 3 ds.; schr. General Grant, Howes, refitting; schr. Quango, Proctor, in a few ds., for Trinidad, having repaired.

Bark Isle of Skye, (of Liverpool, N. S.,) Fort, Demerara 27 ds., with sugar and old iron to Harvey Barnes—vessel to George A. Philli s & Collins.

Bark Svalen, (Norw.,) Boe, Falmouth, Eng., 42 ds., in ballast to order.

Brig George Downes, (of Barbados,) Lanfare, Demerara via Newport, R. I., 24 ds., with sugar and molasses to H. Trowbridge's Sons.

Brig Mattie B. Russell, (of Portland,) Clark, South Amboy, with coal. Is bound to Portland, Me.

Brig Mountain Eagle, Jarvis, New-Haven.

Schr. Mary S. Lunt, (of Granada,) Simmons, Ponce, P. R., 14 ds., with oranges and old iron to Thos. J. Maige—vessel to Reeve, Osborne & Co. In port, bark Andes, Davis, to load for New-York; would sail in about a fortnight. At Mayaguez, schrs. O. M. Marrett, Read; Setegawa, Bryant; Laura Pride, Scopean; all for New-York, waiting for fruit, as owing to heavy rains the roads in the island were nearly impassable.

Schr. H. Townsend, (of Pembroke,) Hersey, Santa Martha via Savanilla 20 ds., with cedes, hides, &c., to D. De Castro & Co. Left at Savanilla brig Percea, Hinkley, ldg. for New-York.

Schr. Cyrus Fossett, Harding, Philadelphia, for Boston.

Schr. Willow Harp, Watson, Georgetown, D. C., for Bridgeport.

Schr. D. S. Mershon, Massy, Philadelphia, for Fall River.

Schr. H. F. Baker, Whitmore, Philadelphia, for Fall River.

Schr. Alex. Young, Young, Alexandria, for Providence.

Schr. Ocean Wave, Miller, Virginia, for New-Haven.

Schr. Amelia Ann, (of Nassau,) Vargas, Ragged Island 16 ds., with salt to J. B. Brown.

Schr. W. H. Thorndike, Hall, Port Johnson, for Boston.

Schr. Eldora, Morris, New-Haven, for Baltimore.

Schr. G. H. Miller, Davis, Virginia, for Boston.

Schr. Nellie Treat, True, Philadelphia, for Boston.

Schr. O. H. Booth, Longstreet, Virginia.

Schr. Banyard, Collins, Virginia.

Schr. G. H. Hoyt, Lippincott, Virginia.

Schr. Woodruff Sims, Allen, Virginia.

Schr. Francis French, Throgmorton, Virginia.

Schr. Georgie, Parker, New-Haven.

Schr. Julia Berkie, Adams, New-Haven.

Schr. L. A. Tolles, Day, Norwalk.

Schr. Eclipse, Sammis, Norwalk.

WIND—Sunset, fresh, N. W., clear.

By Telegraph.

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—Arr. steamer Saxon, from Philadelphia; brig Beaver, from Malaga; schr. William Jones, from New-Orleans.

The bark Penang, which went ashore at Nauscett on Monday last, got off this morning, and was towed to this port. The vessel and cargo have not apparently received much damage.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 8.—Arr. steamer Glaucus, from New-York; bark Fanny Lewis, from St. Marc; schr. Mary Baker, from Port-au-Prince.

Below, Pride of the Port, from Calcutta.

FORTRESS MONROE, Dec. 8.—Passed in for Baltimore ship Emily Augusta, from Liverpool; bark Saginaw; schrs. Wm. D. Dunlay, from Nassau; Peerless, from St. Johns; Withered, from Nassau, with loss of mainmast and sails.

FORTRESS MONROE, Dec. 8.—Passed out barks Caspari and Industrie, for Bremen; brigs James, for Halifax, and Jennie Morton.

Sid. bark Lady Agnes, for Baltimore.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 8.—Sld. brig Anna Maria, for Amsterdam, and schr. J. E. Dailey, for St. Mary's, Ga.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 8.—Cld. steam-ship America, for Baltimore; bark Morning Star, for Cienfuegos, Cuba; brig Ane Christine, for Bremen; schrs. Cornelia, for Bridgeport; Northern Light, for St. Mary's, Ga.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Dec. 8.—Arr. schooners Rag Dove, from Hoboken for Boston; A. J. Fabins, J. G. Babcock, Frank B. Colton, from Boston for Philadelphia; Nasiab, M. A. McGahan, from Newburyport for do.; Hero, from Portland for New-York; Neponset, from Boston for Tangier.

Sld. steamers Rattlesnake, Leopard and Panther, and all vessels bound E.

Disasters.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 8.—The schr. Nine Brothers, from Lahave, for Boston, with lumber, arr. here today leaking. She lost overboard Albert Publicover, mate.

The brigantine Hound, from Boston, for Halifax, has been passed off this port bottom up. No tidings have been received of her crew.

European Marine Intelligence.

QUEENSTOWN, Dec. 8.—The Cunard steam-ships Scotia, from New-York Nov. 29, and Aleppo and Palmyra, from Boston Nov. 21 and 25, respectively, arrived today, en route to Liverpool.

LONDONDERRY, Dec. 8.—The Allan line steam-ship Scandinavian, from Portland for Liverpool, touched at this port today.

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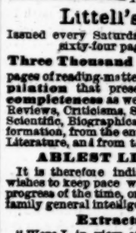

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